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COMMONS TOLD OF POSITION IN HONGKONG

Hongkong Still Centre For China's Trade With World

CHUNGKING, Dec. 15.
CHINESE SOURCES state that despite the Japanese occupation of Canton and Hankow, Hongkong remains the centre of China's export trade.

At present along two trunk lines, Chinese exports are flowing abroad, with Hongkong as the stepping-stone.

The two main routes for the Chinese export trade after the loss of Hankow and Canton have been the Haiphong-Kunming railway and the Chungking-Kwangchow highway.

It is stated that thousands of giant American and Soviet trucks are busily transporting native products along the south-west highway abroad. Native goods, when gathered at Kunming are transported to Haiphong and then to Hongkong for ocean liners. The products of the vast interior are also gathered at Chungking and then sent by trucks to Kwangchow via Kweiyang and Kweilin.

It takes about seven days for goods from Chungking to reach Kwangchow Bay, and from there they go to Hongkong to connect with the ocean liners.

A foreign trade commission of the Ministry of Finance is at present the national organisation controlling foreign trade. It is doing its utmost to encourage exportation, especially since the fall of Hankow and Canton, as part of the Chinese national policy in order to cover the Chinese financial position.

Altogether 24 native products are under the commission's control, chief among which are wood-oil, pig-bristles, wool, ox, goats, skins and drugs which represent the main products of the provinces in West China.

The exportation of wood-oil is a very important factor in foreign credit loans to China. The portion of wood-oil has been since the beginning of the war up to the time of the fall of Canton and Hankow. The climax was reached last June when the total figure of exports for that month was 137,892 tons, while the figures for the month of November are reduced by about 80 per cent, namely about 28,000 tons.

The main reason for this is the cutting of the Yangtze River and the Canton-Hankow railway along which the wood-oil was transported for abroad.

The next very important item, second only to wood-oil, is Soochow's pig bristles. This is best for toothbrushes which are manufactured in America. Soochow is one of only two places in the whole world producing white bristles needed to make toothbrushes. Last June 26, 900 tons of these bristles were exported, but the figure increased to 82,000 tons in November, the main reason being the rise in the price of world markets, and secondly the convenience of transportation by trucks.

The difficulty confronting the Government regarding its exportation by the south-west highways is a shortage of trucks, and the Government is encouraging exporting merchants to purchase trucks, and is also encouraging exportation in every possible way.—United Press.

"Give My Prize Money To Some Poor Children"

Three Bldgs

Dear Uncle Eddie

Please give my prize money to some poor children fund

love from

Maira Patey

I am a Scoutie

THIS IS A LETTER received by "Uncle Eddie," who conducts the Children's Corner, for one of last week's prize-winners—eight-year-old Maira Patey. Maira's prize, valued at \$3, has been sent to the Society for the Protection of Children.

Fighting Behind The Lines Admitted

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.
REVEALING—THE wide-spread operations against Chinese guerilla forces, involving the army, navy and air force, a Japanese spokesman to-day said that since December 9, the Japanese forces had carried out operations in the Shanghai, Tsungming, Hangchow and Yangchow areas.

He said that a unit of 6,000 of the new Fourth Army were centred at Nankiao and Nanhwei, 20 miles south-east of Shanghai, with their headquarters in Shanghai, though he did not know whether they were in French Concession or the International Settlement.

He added that the Japanese navy had blockaded the coast, the air force had bombed the Chinese forces, and the Shanghai Japanese garrison had developed them yesterday, and had captured Nankiao and Nanhwei. He estimated the Chinese losses to be 400 dead, while they had surrendered ten trench mortars and 40 machine-guns.

The Japanese losses in this engagement were one killed.

The spokesman added that a Japanese column from Yangchow attacked 8,000 Chinese guerillas, armed with artillery at Tienchang, 50 miles north-east of Nanking, and killed 250. The Japanese losses were one officer and three N.C.O.s killed and ten soldiers wounded.

He added that army and navy units attacked 1,500 guerillas at Tsungming Island, and killed 150 of them.

For four days the Japanese forces operated against 20,000 members of the "1st Kiangnan Volunteer Corps," north of Hangchow, and killed 600, as well as capturing 80 machine-guns.

The Japanese left three dead and 12 wounded.

Asked how the Shanghai 4th Army headquarters commended with their forces despite the Japanese cordon thrown around the area, the spokesman replied it was easy because "almost all the Chinese are spies. This is characteristic of the situation all over China."—United Press.

KIEL, Dec. 15.
GERMANY IS to construct a new 35,000 ton battleship as the next addition to her navy.

The battleship Gneisenau, which was recently completed, and the Scharnhorst which is still under construction, have both a displacement of 26,000 tons, so that the new ship will be the largest in the German navy.

The construction programme includes also two light cruisers of 7,000 tons displacement, and six additional cruisers totalling 35,000 tons.

The submarines construction programme includes 28 new units in addition to 43 submarines now completed and in service.—Trans-Ocean.

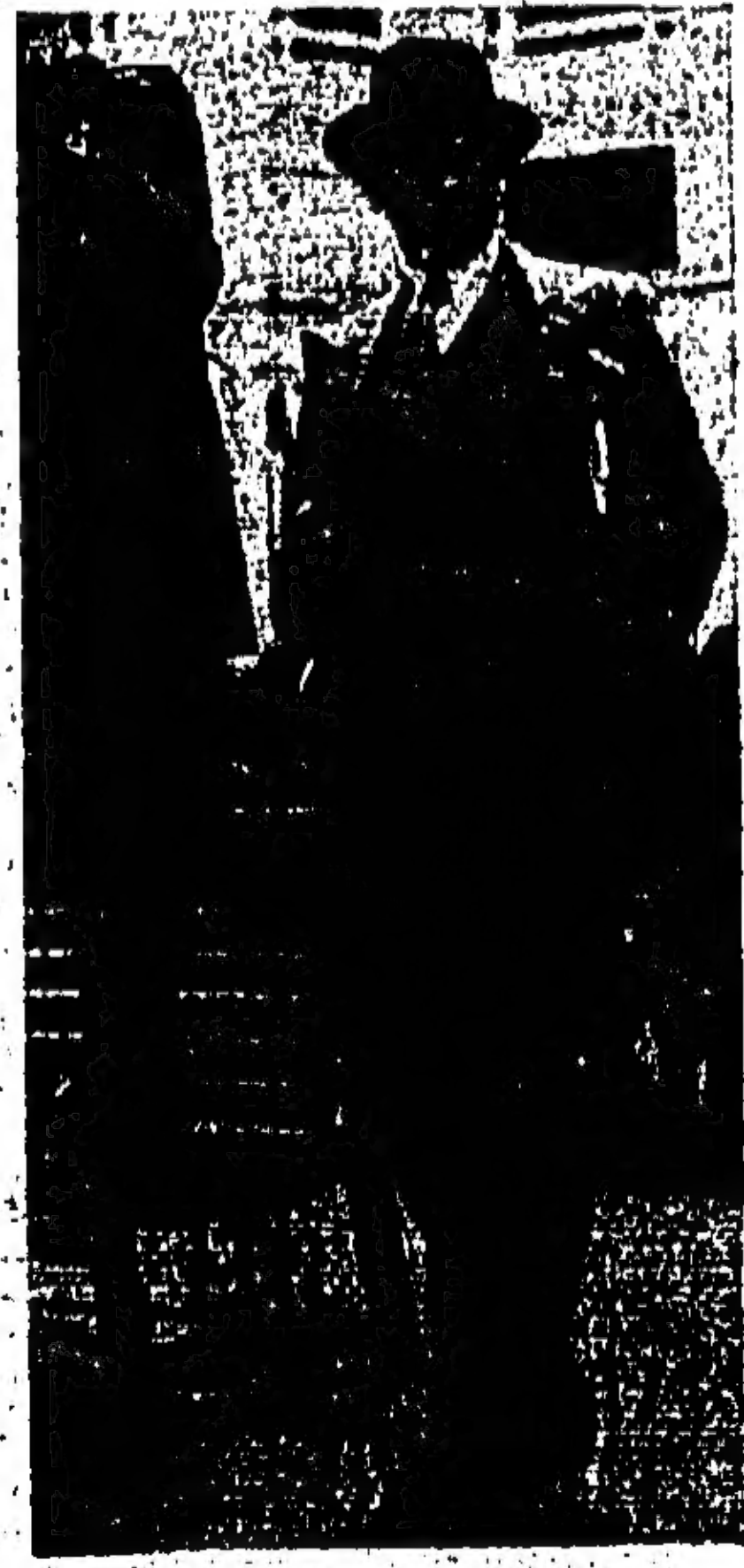
Canada's Position In War Involving Britain

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.
A RESOLUTION seeking to clarify Canada's position in the event of Britain becoming involved in war, will be introduced by Mr. J. S. Woodsworth, leader of the Co-Operative Commonwealth Party (which is Socialistically inclined) when Parliament reassembles in January.

G.H.Q. STAFF CHANGES IN HONGKONG

LONDON, Dec. 15.
LIEUT.-COLONEL A. G. Neville of the Royal Artillery, and Lieut.-Colonel G. E. Grimdale of the Royal Engineers, have both been appointed G.S.O.1 to British troops to China, replacing Colonel Irwin and Colonel Burkhardt on March 15, 1939 and March 21, 1939 respectively.—Reuter.

C. I. N. M. S. Irwin arrived in Hongkong on April 9, 1937 from the Imperial Defence College. During the Great War he commanded five



COL. IRWIN

separate battalions in succession, and was awarded the D.S.O. with two bars, the Military Cross, the French War Cross and was five times mentioned in despatches. He served on the North-West Frontier in the 1920-31 operations.

Col. V. J. Burkhardt arrived in Hongkong on April 28, 1936. He was previously, in 1923, G.S.O.2 in China, after three years being appointed Brig. Major in North China. In addition to China, Col. Burkhardt has seen service in France, Belgium, Macedonia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, the islands of the Aegean Sea and Gallipoli.

LATEST Crisis Grows In Hankow Concession

Shanghai, Dec. 15.
The situation in French Concession in Hankow has grown much more acute, so it was learned yesterday evening from a private source.

The Japanese authorities have taken extraordinary measures because about 150,000 Chinese have taken refuge in the French Concession.

All food supplies to the Concession have been cut off.

One man who attempted to bring foodstuffs from the riverside into the Concession was shot.

Prices of food have already risen considerably because of the position. On the other hand, the water supply which had been cut off by the Japanese has been provided for by the pumping of water from the Yangtze into the Concession, where it is filtered.

This intolerable position, it is declared, must lead to catastrophe unless the dispute is settled quickly.—Trans-Ocean.

Many British Exiles Return Thousands Go Home For Christmas

LONDON, Dec. 15.
THE CALL to Britain for Christmas time is being answered by thousands from all parts of the Empire.

By far the biggest number of exiles returning to the country for Christmas are from India, and further East.

Hitherto a comparatively mild winter has been experienced and huge crowds daily pack the popular business centres of the metropolis, including 1,000 "colonials," who find strong evidence that anticipation of Yuletide is dispelling the gloom cast by the events of a critical year.

In preparation for the heavy holiday traffic, beginning next week the four main line railway companies have arranged to run more than 2,500 additional long-distance passenger expresses and extra trains for parcels mails.

Enquiries at Imperial Airways show that the heavy Empire air mail traffic is being handled as smoothly and expeditiously as possible. No fewer than 18 planes—flying boats and land planes—took off from Southampton for Empire destinations on one day, and "no difficulty is being experienced" in disposing of the heaviest Christmas mail ever.—Reuter.

Cows Have "Who's Who"

SYDNEY, Australia.
Australia has a "Who's Who" for cows. The names of 30,000 of them appear in a two index system, which shows their true names, and their location.

Japanese Plan For "New Order"

LONDON, Dec. 15.
The Japanese plan for the creation of a "new order" in East Asia is engaging the attention of the British Government in an increasing degree.

Political circles here believe that the British Government will endeavour to obtain the co-operation of the United States, and eventually of France, in adopting a more determined attitude than hitherto towards Japanese schemes susceptible of affecting the interests of these Powers in China.

It is believed that joint representations will be made in Tokyo by the British and United States governments with the object of obtaining parity concerning the Japanese plan as announced by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita.

Although London and Washington have not been officially informed of the Japanese plan, there is reason to assume that the British and United States governments intend to continue to adhere to the principle of the "Open Door" and to oppose any form of discrimination against other nations in the Far East.

Japan's Parleys With Soviet Break Down

MOSCOW, Dec. 15.
A DEADLOCK has been reached in the negotiations for Japanese fishing rights in Soviet territorial waters, according to a semi-official report issued here, which states that negotiations had continued between M. Litvinoff and Mr. Togo, the Japanese Ambassador.

Mr. Togo asked whether, in the event of the Japanese Government considering favourably the question of overdue payment for the Chinese Eastern Railway, the Soviet Government would agree to sign without changes, the draft of the Fisheries Convention they had refused to approve in 1936-37. M. Litvinoff replied in the negative.

Mr. Togo then stated that he was prepared to start negotiations on a temporary agreement for one year in conformity with the proposal made by the Soviet Government on November 28. M. Litvinoff agreed, but said this did not cause the Soviet Government to withdraw its demands regarding railway payments, and that in the course of further negotiations it would be necessary to return to this question.

Subsequently Mr. Togo opposed the basis for a temporary agreement mentioned in the Soviet proposal of November 28, and insisted on the prolongation of the temporary agreement now in operation, and added that if it proves impossible to conclude a new convention, the previous convention must be renewed.

M. Litvinoff would not agree, and proposed that Mr. Togo again inform the Japanese Government that a temporary agreement could be concluded only on the basis of the Soviet statement of November 28.—Reuter.

Labour To Aid Recruiting Fuel Weight Behind Govt. Campaign

LONDON, Dec. 15.
LORD STRABOLGI emphatically stated in the House of Lords to-day that the Labour Party would assist in a recruiting campaign.

He said there was a real temptation not to do so because of their contempt and loathing for the Government's foreign policy, but on the question of help, they had no choice.

"We must, and we will. This is a democracy," declared Lord Strabolgi. "What they needed specially in the industrial section of the Party was an assurance with regard to the safeguarding and maintenance of the rights of the trade unions."

He was glad to see from recent observations by representatives of the Government in the House of Commons, and outside, that there seemed some hardening in the Government's foreign policy, but there would be a far greater response from the rank and file if the Government really convinced them that it really meant what it said.

Lord Strabolgi said that so far as he could make out, recruiting for the army was very good, for the air force, fairly good, for the army, not very good, and was marvellous in some A.R.P. services, although there were some—Reuter.

League For The Two Americas

LIMA, Dec. 15.
AN AMERICAN LEAGUE of Nations, supported by a system of moral, instead of economic or military sanctions, was proposed at the Pan-American Conference to-day by delegates of Colombia and Santo Domingo.

Pleading urgency, Sen. Lopez Domest, Colombia's Foreign Minister, said that they had "never heard such unanimously important words as were now coming from Europe."

Another Note To Reich From U.S.

Washington, Dec. 15.
A note has been delivered to Berlin again requesting assurances that there will be no discriminatory treatment of American citizens based either on race or creed.

The note further expressed the assurance that the American Government would not be bound by any previous agreement or understanding which might be interpreted as a basis for such discrimination.

Former Far East Correspondent Dies

London, Dec. 15.
The death has occurred in London, following an operation, of Mr. William Rutley Mowll of Reuter's Shanghai office.

Mr. Mowll was for many years chief Far Eastern Manager of Reuter's economic services, and was one of the company's ablest and most trusted servants.—Reuter.

HONGKONG HOTEL'S REAS PLANS

Kyra, Roby and Harry, the popular entertainers open their season at the Hongkong Hotel on December 21.

An added attraction will be "The Gracie Glamourettes" with the Dani Sisters, who have also been booked for the festive season.

BOY WITHOUT SPINE WALKS, MAY TALK SOON

Five-year-old Paul Wooten, of Bruton-avenue, Wellsbury, Bath, "the boy without a backbone" given up by medical specialists as "a helpless, hopeless case," can walk again after three and a half years in bed. Soon, it is hoped, he will be able to talk.

A miracle healer has given him life, given him the chance to run and play like his little friends.

Here is the story, as told by Paul's mother:—

"I read about a child miraculously healed by one who was not a qualified medical practitioner, and I want you to know how my son was brought back from a living death," she said.

Paul, now rosy-cheeked and sturdy, listened as she went on: "For three and a half years he was the despair of specialists and doctors all over the country. He was 'the boy without a backbone'."

"For many weary months he lay, like a pillow, with no more animation. He was taken to London and to the great hospitals.

"My husband and I exhausted all our savings. We took Paul to faith healers.

"Then one day I seemed pulled to a part of Bath I did not know. I passed a gate with a plate giving the name of Mr. G. Gomer Phillips. I had to go in.

"With gentle massage and electrical treatment Mr. Phillips slowly cured my boy. I believe he has had hundreds of similar cases. No wonder Bath mothers call him the 'miracle healer'."

GIRL'S EVIDENCE BANNED

A Scots girl of 24, whose face was said to have been slashed from eye to ear with a table knife, was debarred from the witness-box at Clerkenwell recently.

At a previous hearing the girl, Mary Foreman, refused to give evidence against Edmund Dolan, 43, a traveller, who was accused of wounding her in his house at Boswell-street, Holborn.

Then Dolan called her as a witness for the defence.

Mr. Brodick, the magistrate, pointed out that she had already declined to give evidence.

"That was for the prosecution," replied Dolan. "She is willing to give evidence for the defence. Only two persons in court know what happened—myself and the lady."

Mr. Brodick: "I am not going to allow her back in the box. Evidence was given by Det-Sergt. Davidson, who was asked by Dolan, 'Did you see Miss Foreman, and did she say I did it?'"

Witness: "Yes, she said you did it. Dolan was remanded in custody with a view to his committal for trial."

Art in the Country

If the picture gallery established by George Frederick Watts, R.A., in the Surrey village of Compton, near Guildford, is moved to a town it will forfeit the residue of a fortune of £55,000 left by Mrs. Mary Selon Watts, the artist's second wife.

This was a condition of her will, published recently, in which she wished that the gallery "should be for the benefit of artistic influence in the country as opposed to towns."

PIGEON GOES TO PRAYERS

Joey, famous pigeon mascot of the Liverpool-road branch of the London Fever Hospital, has to go.

Hundreds of patients and ex-patients know and love Joey. Joey, who established himself as a member of the hospital staff years ago, loves his fellow-men—and simply loathes his fellow-pigeons.

He watches with a jealous eye for feathered intruders, and drives them out furiously with beak and claw.

The only person who can keep him in order is Sister Ayres who is leaving for another job.

That is why Joey has to go.

FAVOURITE PATIENT

He lives in a wicker cage in Sister Ayres's room.

Every morning she opens the door, and Joey, hopping out, follows her solemnly in to prayers.

When she makes the rounds of the wards Joey accompanies her.

His favourite patient is Mr. Bradley. Joey pays him frequent visits.

"He is an excellent companion," said Mr. Bradley. "One day I fell asleep. Joey woke me up by creeping between the sheets and pecking my foot."

Sister Ayres said that Joey would probably be given to a relative of one of the patients.

A NAVAL CONSULTATION

Admiral Sir Dudley Pound, the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet, was recently recalled to London. The reason for summoning him is understood to be the desire of the new heads of the Naval Staff to have his views on naval matters generally, and particularly on certain problems of the near future. There is no apparent reason to connect his visit with any immediate change in the international situation.

Sir Dudley's tenure of the command in the Mediterranean would in the normal course end early next year, and although the time for his successor to be appointed has not yet come, his opinion is almost unanimous in its choice of the man who will take over. Admiral Pound would then be free for a new command, and this may well be one of the "problems of the near future" now being discussed. Special Staff conferences are at present studying the strategic position as it will be some time hence, and both the Chief of Staff and the Assistant Chief, being fresh from command afloat, bring with them to the Admiralty the views of the principal officers of the active fleets.

Souvenir Hunters Appeased

SALEM, Ore. Souvenir seekers who visit Oregon's new capitol building have been asked not to ship marble off the walls. Instead, they are asked to go to the governor's office and ask one of his secretaries for the state's seal attached to a paper bearing Gov. Charles H. Martin's signature.



Thomas J. Mooney, famed lifer at San Quentin prison, Cal., who hoped for the pardon of Albert L. Olson, promised he would give Mooney if elected governor. Mr. Olson was elected. Mooney has fought for 20 years the sentence he claimed was unjust, in connection with the San Francisco bombing of 1916.

EMPIRE NEWS

DOCKERS' STRIKE IN NEW ZEALAND

AUCKLAND. Owing to the dockers' strike, Auckland lamb may miss the British Christmas market.

Many laden ships are lying in harbour here unable to discharge their cargoes. Large quantities of potatoes are on board and there is a shortage in the market here.

The dockers refuse to return to work in spite of the advice of their union leaders.

The exports of lamb and pigs are below normal this year. The season is late.

INDIA

CONVICTS THREATEN HUNGER STRIKE

CALCUTTA.

Although all political detainees in Bengal have been released there remain in prison at Calcutta a number of terrorists convicted of murder and other crimes of violence. These convicts threaten a hunger strike, starting on Friday, as a protest against their non-release.

Mr. Subhas Bose, the Congress President, announces the revival of the agitation for an immediate general release. This was suspended pending negotiations between Mr. Gandhi and the Bengal Government, which resulted in a decision for only gradual release.

Jews for Cochín.—The recent discussions in London, between Sir Shammukham Chetty, Prime Minister of Cochín, and a deputation representing Jewish refugees will result, it is believed, in permission for a number of German and Austrian Jews to live in Cochín State, in South India. There are 1,500 Jews at present in Cochín, mostly of Asiatic origin.

Budget Deficit Forecast.—Although the latest available figures on the financial situation in India are a little more reassuring than those previously published, a deficit in the current year appears inevitable.

SOUTH AFRICA

INCREASED SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS

CAPE TOWN.

The increased prosperity of South Africa during the last five years is reflected in the growth of thrift among persons with small incomes. Figures published by the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs show that on March 31, 1938, there were 401,000 depositors in the Post Office Savings Bank, with deposits totalling £7,302,000. By Aug. 31, 1938, the number of depositors had risen to 904,000 with a total savings of £20,422,000.

Africans Dictionary.—In addition to £17,500 already voted, the Government has decided to give another £10,000 to Prof. J. J. Smith, who is compiling a great African dictionary. The work will take another 10 years to complete.

Road Safety.—The Municipality of Simon's Town has drawn attention to the fact that no single road death occurred during the Mayoral year ending Sept. 5. A good deal of traffic passes through that naval port, nearly 7,000 vehicles being counted on one day.

Muscle on Mail Train.—The Union Limited, the train which runs from Johannesburg for nearly 1,000 miles to catch the mailships at Cape Town, has been equipped with loud-speakers to provide music in the dining saloons. It is hoped to equip the train with radio receiving apparatus.

CEYLON

POLITICAL CRISIS THREATENED

COLOMBO.

A serious crisis in the Ceylon State Council is believed to be brewing as a result of a vote of confidence recently in Sir Baron Jayatilaka, the Chief Minister and



Princess Margaretha of Sweden poses for this picture on her recent fourth birthday. She is the daughter of Prince Gustaf, heir presumptive, and Princess Sybille, and great-granddaughter of King Gustaf.

GIRL STRUCK WITH BATON: POLICE PAY £100

The Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis has made a payment of £100, with £4 13s. costs, to Miss Amy Castle, who was struck by a mounted police officer with a truncheon at Battersea on April 4 this year.

This payment followed correspondence lasting for seven months between Miss Castle's solicitor, Mr. W. H. Thompson, of Chancery Lane, and the police.

It arose out of incidents at Comyn Road, Battersea, after a scene at a Fascist meeting.

According to Miss Castle she was deliberately struck by a mounted policeman.

WENT TO RESCUE

Police statements were to the effect that the officer moved his horse through the crowd to go to the assistance of a constable who was struggling with the mob.

He struck several men and rescued his comrade, and later two men were charged at the police court.

In his statement of the case the officer emphatically denied that he deliberately assaulted the woman, and in view of this the Commissioner wrote:

"There seems, however, no doubt that Miss Castle was hit accidentally."

Apologies were made on the Commissioner's and the officer's behalf.

INDIES FRUIT FOR HOLLAND

Refrigeration Experiments

Batavia.

Efforts to promote export and import of fruit between Holland and Netherlands Indies are being made.

Holland orchardists in co-operation with the Dutch Government have sent an experimental shipment of grapes to the Netherlands Indies in a specially-constructed refrigerator container which can be removed from the ship and kept in operation by electricity on shore.

On the return voyage the container will be filled with Netherlands Indies fruit.

Experts will study the possibility of regular shipments of fruit between Holland and the Netherlands Indies.

Grapes for the Indies are at present imported from Australia.

Minister for Home Affairs, after a debate on the Bracegirdle report, the deportation order made in 1937 against Mr. Bracegirdle, a former tea-planter, for alleged Communist activities, was quashed by the Supreme Court.

Sir Baron Jayatilaka accused Mr. Banks, Inspector-General of the Ceylon Police, of lying and of fabricating a letter. The Board of Ministers recommended the Inspector's dismissal.

A commission inquiry was appointed and exonerated Inspector Banks. It criticised the evidence of Sir Baron, whose resignation as Chief Minister was expected.

In the debate in the State Council attacks were made on the members of the Inquiry Commission. The vote of confidence denounced the Commission's findings and expressed confidence in Sir Baron. It was passed by 25 votes to 11, all the European and several of the minority representatives voting against it.

DISPUTE WITH BARONET

A former chauffeur of Sir John Dashwood complained recently that when he returned after being mobilised as a reservist during the crisis he was discharged.

He is Harold Victor Dudman, and he made the statement at Wycombe, Bucks, court, when the agent of Sir John, who lives at West Wycombe Park, sought possession of a cottage from Dudman.

Mr. M. B. Parry Jones, for Sir John, protested when Dudman said he "wanted to say certain things to the magistrates."

Dudman. He then made his complaint, adding that Sir John did not want to pay what was due to him.

"THAT IS SLANDER"

"On my return, questions arose between Sir John and myself, for which I got instant dismissal," he added. "With that I lost my house. I have nowhere else to go and am married with four children."

Referring to the allegation that Sir John refused to pay Dudman, Mr. Parry Jones exclaimed: "That is slander. If it is not slander, I should like to know what slander is."

After more argument, and in view of the fact that Dudman was not legally represented, the case was adjourned for a month.

Marksman Found Shot Dead

NEWPORT.

One of the crack marksmen of the Monmouthshire Regiment, Capt. Richard Gilbert Newton, Wade, a 30-years-old Territorial Army officer, was found shot, a sporting rifle by his side, at Prospect House, Islip, near Oxford.

His home is at Newport.

His wife, finding him asleep in the car in the garage, roused him, but a few moments after he had walked into the house a shot rang out. She went back to find him dead.

RADIO PIONEER

Three years ago Capt. Wade, while camping with his battalion at Fort-cawl, rescued Mr. D. Walter Rees, the registrar of Bridgend County Court, who was in danger of drowning in a heavy sea.

In the pioneer years of wireless he experimented on apparatus he had installed at his father's home overlooking the Severn estuary, and from there heard the first feeble signals of Morse. He was associated in his research with the late Capt. Charles Bailey, brother of Capt. W. R. Bailey and Capt. George B. Bailey, the airman.

Capt. Wade, who during the crisis was called up for service, had lived about two years at Islip.

Here's Holiday Worker

Perry, Okla.

George Butler believes he has set some kind of record. A postoffice employee, Butler, has worked an 11-hour shift every holiday for the last 10 years.

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Dancing Girls Will Tell of Lives at Night Club

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

FEZ.

Moulay Hassen, wizened, tired, woman owner of a night club, has come to trial for murder.

Orgies at her club, with dancing girls, drugs and incense, have been mentioned.

Children, playing under a tree in Fez, knocked a box over and a hand was revealed. The police found in the box the remains of a woman.

Moulay Hassen's servant, Mohammed Ali, who told the police that "When Moulay Hassen looks at me I am frightened," declared that the murdered girl had been kidnapped in Fez and taken to Moulay Hassen's house, but refused to play the part assigned to her, in spite of threats and torture.

He said he helped Moulay Hassen to strangle the girl.

In Mohammed's room were found a knife, an axe, scent, and bloodstains.

In a concealed room with no light were four girls and a boy, "living skeletons," the heaviest weighing less than 5st.

They said they had been lured to the house by Moulay Hassen who met them in the streets of Meknes. They were imprisoned, beaten and starved.

They had seen, they said, Moulay Hassen and Mohammed strangle the girl, as they watched through a crack in a door.

News of the discoveries spread through Fez, like wildfire and the troops had to be called to prevent the lynching of Moulay Hassen.

The official responsible for visiting houses where a death had occurred told the police that he had taken three or four bodies from Moulay Hassen's house.

The police discovered that there had been 15 women in the house from time to time between November, 1925, and November, 1935, and only five could be accounted for.

Mohammed, the servant, told of one whom he had taken out in a car and had given poisoned bread to eat. Her body was left in a ditch, he added.

TWO YEARS' SEARCH

The home at Fez was closed by the authorities, but the woman opened others. In 1936 the police found the body of a young girl near a house she ran at Meknes.

A search started that lasted two years. Three bodies were found hidden in the walls of Hassen's house, it is declared.

Some of the dancing girls who had been kept prisoners in her house will appear as witnesses at the trial.

KEPT ALIVE BY SILVER TUBE

IN MAN'S THROAT FOR 36 YEARS

24 OPERATIONS BEFORE HE WAS SIXTEEN

There is a man living in London who has been kept alive for 36 years by breathing through a silver tube fitted in his throat.

This amazing feat was revealed as a result of stories published recently concerning young boys who could not be fitted with gas masks because they had to breathe through their silver tubes.

The man who has had a tube in his throat for 36 years is

Mr. William Slesley, 39, of North Kentplace, Woolwich, S. E.

In a letter Mr. Slesley says that at the age of three he was taken to the London Hospital with an infected windpipe, was operated on, and the silver tube inserted in his throat.

"Before I was 16 years of age," he adds, "I had had 24 operations. After 30 years I still have to breathe through my tube."

Mr. C. W. Jolly, of Blake-avenue, Barking, runs Mr. Slesley very close in the length of time he has had a tube.

"Mine was first inserted in my throat when I was 14," he says, "and I shall be 47 next February."

"I used to wear a collar and tie and play football, and I have been in the same job for 25 years."

FATHER OF SEVEN

Mr. Jolly is the father of seven children.

Perhaps the most astonishing record of all, however, is that of 63-year-old Mrs. Wilcox, of Harvey-road, Leytonstone, who has had a tube for 25 years, attends to herself, and has never had any medical assistance except on one occasion when the tube broke in her throat.

"By clever medical science," Mr. E. M. Wilcox, her son, said "the broken patient was removed from her lungs and eyes since her energy would have been a young woman's smaller proportion than 20 per cent.

1,000 FAMILIES FOR CANADA

M.P. PLANS £10,000,000 SETTLEMENT SCHEME

SAVING BRITAIN MILLIONS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

A remarkable scheme to restart the flow of settlers to the Dominions and colonies has been prepared by Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, M.P., and Mr. R. S. Dalgleish, who this year went to British Columbia to investigate the possibilities of community settlements for British immigrants.

They suggest in their report, that an Empire Development Company be formed "with a view to developing and settling such areas within the British Dominions and British Colonial Empire as appear to present the most favourable opportunities for the investment of British capital, and subject to the concurrence and good will of the Governments concerned."

The report has been presented to the Prime Minister and the Cabinet.

The company, it is proposed, would be a private corporation responsible to its shareholders, but it would be the object of the Government to assist in schemes of which they approve.

CASH GRANTS PROPOSED

This assistance would take the form of cash grants under the Empire Settlement Act, or credit facilities under the Trade Facilities Act. A representative of the Treasury would be a permanent director on the board of the company, the chairman of which would be approved by the Prime Minister.

Experimental settlements would be proceeded immediately with, such experiment to cover 10,000 carefully selected settlers, their wives and families.

In view of the promise of wholehearted co-operation of the Government of British Columbia and the offer of free land by the Premier of that Province, immediate steps, it is stated, should be taken to accept that offer and to "prepare for the early advent of settlers."

The report stresses that a preliminary sum, not exceeding £10,000,000, adequate to settle 10,000 settlers, should be allocated by the British Government, or raised by public subscription under the Trade Facilities Act.

All lands, houses, farm buildings, machinery, and livestock, would remain the property of the company until the settler has paid off his indebtedness to it. Fixed charges of interest and sinking fund, spread over twenty-three years, if necessary, would become payable as from the



Disbanding of the International Brigade that has been fighting for Loyalist Spain was preceded by a last parade somewhere behind the Ebro front. Farewell ceremonies were extensive, with speeches by leaders of the Loyalist forces. Here is Premier Juan Negrin bidding the men good-bye, from a tree-shaded platform.

Verdict For Newspaper In Libel Claim

conclusion of the second year of the settler's occupation.

It is pointed out that Parliament has for many years voted £3,000,000 to assist migration and settlement schemes, and that, owing to the failure to take advantage of this sum, the amount was last year cut down to £1,500,000.

The report suggests that this, or a great sum, might usefully be employed over the next seven years for the purposes of the scheme.

CUTTING UNEMPLOYMENT

The carrying out of the experiment is estimated to effect a saving of unemployment benefit of approximately £15,000,000 in 20 years, while the total cost will amount to not more than £10,000,000, a great part of which will be repaid, and could be used for the development of further settlements.

As an alternative, the sponsors of the scheme are of opinion that, as far as capital expenditure is involved, the scheme could be carried out by a debenture issue, the financing of the company by public issue being at such a rate of interest as to enable settlers to make repayments without undue burden.

In this case the Government would be asked to contribute only sufficient to pay for transport, two years' work allowance, and an allowance for training.

"Whichever alternative is adopted," it is added, "we believe that the investment is sound from the point of view of Great Britain, and an immense boon to the Dominion of Canada, or any other Dominion where similar schemes are adopted."

The report also points out that under the proposed scheme there would be community halls, schools and churches, co-operative community stores, and transport. The extreme loneliness of the past, which often had tragic results, need no longer be dreaded in planned community settlements.

A verdict for the defendants was given in an action in the High Court, Dublin, in which Mr. William N. Willis, restaurant proprietor, Mountjoy Square, Dublin, and promoter of an all-in wrestling contest, claimed damages against the Irish Press, Limited, Dublin, for an alleged libel.

The jury, after an absence of half an hour, found in favour of the defendant newspaper, and judgment was entered for the "Irish Press" with costs.

Mr. Willis, who was promoter of an all-in wrestling contest in Dublin between Paddy Casey and Padro Peltonen, alleged that the newspaper had libelled him by withdrawing and apologising for a statement published in the issue of December 1, 1937, as having been made by him in an interview to the effect that the match had been arranged in advance so that one or other of the contestants would win.

The plaintiff stated in evidence that he had told Peltonen to let Casey win, but that as Peltonen would not agree, he had to "doublecross" him so that Casey's undefeated record would remain intact.

Witnesses on behalf of Mr. Willis stated that all-in wrestling matches were pre-arranged.

For the defence, it was denied that the words complained of were libellous or defamatory of Mr. Willis, and it was pleaded that the occasion of the publication was privileged.

Mr. Justice O'Byrne ruled that the occasion was privileged.

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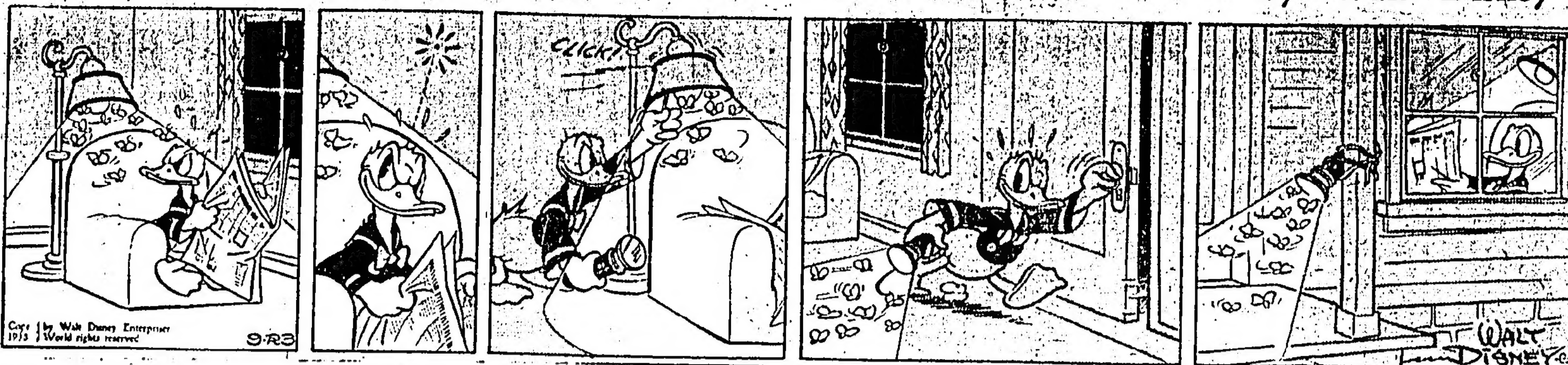
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ACTION FOR LIBEL

Defamation Of Character Alleged By Mr. Brayfield

An action for libel, claiming unstipulated damages, was brought by Mr. Thomas Henry Gordon Brayfield, marine surveyor and owner of racing ponies, against the Hongkong Jockey Club, at the Supreme Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Acting Chief Justice.

The claim arose out of a disputed account for \$9.10 in connection with excess fodder for two ponies. Mr. Brayfield's name was posted up at the Clubhouse, and he alleged that in consequence of this action his reputation had been attacked.

The defence admitted the publication of the notice, but maintained that their action was privileged.

Hearing was adjourned to this morning.

A special jury was empanelled. It comprised Messrs. J. Fleming (Foreman), R. M. McKay, C. Champkin, T. B. Wilson, Lo Yuk-long, I. H. Geare and L. Dunbar.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the Jockey Club. Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, represented Mr. Brayfield.

When the case was resumed in the afternoon, Mr. V. D. Sorby, who failed to answer his name when called to serve on the jury, was asked by His Lordship for an explanation. Mr. Sorby explained that at 9.45 a.m. his chief assistant kept talking to him and he forgot the time.

His Lordship: It is hardly a convincing excuse, is it not?—It is the truth, Sir.

I am sure it is, but it hardly excuses you. You must realise that as a result of your absence, another member of the community had to be empanelled in your place while you escaped. I must fine you \$25.

Jury's Request

The Foreman of the Jury then asked: The Jury would like to retire to discuss the trial at this stage. His Lordship: It is not your function to discuss until the trial is over. No real purpose is served by your discussing it at this stage.

Foreman: Cannot we form an opinion at this stage?

His Lordship: I don't think you are entitled to form any opinion until the case for the plaintiff is over, at any rate.

Continuing his cross-examination of Mr. Brayfield, Mr. Potter asked: About this excess fodder, you never consulted Major Hogg on any oc-

casions?—This question never arose before.

It is clear that the question of excess fodder is between the owner and the trainer only?—And the stables manager as well.

But the right to give excess fodder is between the owner and the trainer?—Yes.

You had a trainer named Po Yee in January, 1937, before Mr. Tau?—Yes.

I will give a couple of examples showing Po Yee did draw excess fodder in January, 1937. Did he charge to your account after having drawn it?—On my instructions.

But you never informed the Jockey Club?—I did. I went to the office and requested that extra fodder be given to my trainer when he called for it the next morning.

I put it to you that it had been the practice not for an owner to order hay. It was left to the trainer?—Not in my case.

I put it to you that you never spoke to Major Hogg that you had instructed Po Yee to draw extra hay?—I am certain I did.

Whom did you tell actually?—I cannot remember. It might be Major Hogg or his clerk.

You also at times signed for any excess, did you not?—Not excess fodder but straw.

And your trainer also signed?—The trainer or mafao.

Probably the fodder you drew was for your Castle Peak stable?—Not necessarily.

There are a number of entries showing that Po Yee not only drew hay but also equipment such as racing colours and straps for saddle. Do you suggest that in all these cases you went to someone in authority and told him that your trainer would come and draw them?—In some cases Po Yee would come and ask me for permission. I would give it him and sign for them later.

The System

If in fact you went to the Jockey Club and informed them that someone would come and draw hay, why in the world did you not sign for it yourself?—It might have been after 6 o'clock at night and the clerk might not be there.

About the items in respect of Mr. Tau, you also went and told the officials?—I expect I would have.

I put it to you that it is the system for owners to permit their trainers to draw these extras, without first going to the Jockey Club, and then having their signature by paying the bill?—Not in my case. They must ask me first.

About your ponies, Salvage Master and Ship Master, Salvage Master arrived in the Colony in November, 1937, and Tau had charge of him from the start?—Yes.

Tau will tell the Court that Salvage Master was in a weak condition, do you agree with that?—I don't think he ever was. As far as I can remember, he only had a swelling in the leg.

Tau would also say that the pony was in a weakening condition and required strengthening up. Do you agree?—I never heard of that.

He was certainly fit for every race available?—Obviously.

As regards Ship Master, he was old at that time?—Yes.

You brought him in from the country and handed him over to Tau about a month before the racing?—That's right.

Tau will tell us that the pony was very thin, would you agree to that?—He was notoriously fat.

He was entered for four races on successive days?—Yes.

Tau considered that this pony required excess fodder, is that true?—He did not mention it to me. He might have considered it.

Did he say to you on February 5 or 6 that "Pony no strong, I give him 12 lbs. more chow"?—No, I do not think so.

He is going to tell the Court also that he said these words to you: "This month pay more chow, two piece pony 01 lbs. Next month no more; 13 lbs. can do." And your reply was: "I no pay. Jockey Club too much money. Maskee." Is that true?—I think it is imagination.

Special Feed

You have said that you yourself provided special feed for your ponies in tins, and that your mafao took from each tin sufficient to make up a good handful, which would be mixed up with the usual fodder. Tau has been summoned up here and he will say that, at the very most, that extra feed would only amount to one pound a day, probably less. Is that true?—No.

He would also say that only four or five eggs were given to each pony a day, all at the evening feed and never more than five. Do you agree?—Thirty eggs were given to the two ponies daily.

Were you present when this extra feed was given?—I never actually saw them being given to the ponies. Tau says that no lucerne and Timothy hay was ever given during February at all, and the books show that the last drawing of Timothy

hay was in November, 1937. Do you agree?—According to the books, yes. But probably the Jockey Club ran out of Timothy hay at that time. I never allowed a pony to go without Timothy hay and I must have got it from Abbas Khan in Kowloon.

About your interview with Mr. Pearce, whose manner you have described as irascible, I put it to you that Mr. Pearce, who will give evidence, approached you in a most conciliatory manner and made every effort to try and settle this unhappy dispute?—He definitely wanted payment without any explanation.

Did he approach you in a most conciliatory manner?—I don't think so. When Mr. Pearce approached me I congratulated him on the win he just had. He replied, "Never mind about that, I want to see you."

What did you say to him?—I proposed to him that they should make a check of the quantity in the bins at the beginning and end of every month. His reply was, "Surely, you are not going to be so foolish as to suggest that?"

In the by-laws you are entitled to 13 lbs., and, assuming that you in fact got 14½ lbs., surely you don't suggest you wouldn't pay for that extra?—I offered to pay provided substantial proof was forthcoming.

Any other proposals to Mr. Pearce besides checking up the bins?—No.

Notice Of Libel

Just a word about the publication of the libel. We know that the notice of the libel was on the board, and you got a registered letter on April 27, the date of the posting of the notice, informing you that your name had been put up. Do you agree?—Yes.

And yet you left that \$9.10 unpaid until May 27—1 went away in the meantime.

Did you know that if you had paid earlier your name would have been taken down?—Yes.

Then why didn't you pay it before?—I was away at Suva.

But you got the letter before you went?—Yes, but the notice was already put up.

Your Counsel has suggested that you ought to be used in the Summary Court. Will you take it from me that if you were sued for an amount less than \$10, no costs are allowed, unless the Judge consents.

The case is of great public importance?—If we had taken action it would probably have cost us about \$40 even if we recovered the money. Would you consider it fair for us to take such a course then?—It is not for me to say. It is a matter for your Counsel.

Reference was made this morning to a check which you had made of the weight of the feed. Did you go to the stables on December 8 last?—I did.

Did you ask Tau to measure out the feed for the pony?—Yes.

And as he took out a tinful of feed you weighed it on a scale which was brought down by you?—Yes.

And you found the sum total of the weight was 15 lbs?—The spring of the scale was out of adjustment after we had started weighing for a while.

As a result, Tau suggested you send for Major Hogg's scale?—I think I asked him.

Did it do it did it not come to 15 lbs?—We did not carry it to the end because my scale was inaccurate.

After getting Major Hogg's scale you again went through the same procedure of checking and found the feed came to 13 lbs. 2 ozs?—During the process we found the Jockey Club's scale was also inaccurate, and I said I would bring a proper scale the next day.

The following day you came back again and went through another process of weighing, and again you found Tau was accurate in his estimate?—We had then a correct scale, and we made 12.715 lbs. instead of 13 lbs.

Object of Weighing

What was your object in having these weighing and checking tests?—To get our facts for this case.

Then on December 10 you went to the storeroom and saw the storekeeper?—Yes.

You told him you wanted to check the scale in the forage barn?—Yes, in order to make sure it was correct.

I can't see what you were aiming at?—To find if we were getting value for our money.

And you are the only owner-member who has made a complaint of this kind. What right have you got to go to the barn?—It is a public place.

It is not. Didn't the clerk say he would go and see Major Hogg first, and while he was away you promptly tested the scale?—That is incorrect, but we did test the scale and found it was dead correct.

You didn't wait for Major Hogg's permission?—No, because he arrived about ten minutes afterwards.

Re-examined by his Counsel, Mr. Brayfield said the actual person who fed the pony was the mafao.

Did Tau say anything about these checks?—I don't think he made any comment. I asked him to fill the measures and he did.

Mr. Potter said he could not understand your object for so doing. What was your aim?—I wanted to make sure I was not getting anything in excess of the 13 lbs. allowance.

You wanted to see what was the amount and nothing more?—Yes. Can you say who can testify as to the stuff actually dished out?—The mafao and myself.

Tau had nothing to do with it?—No.

Is he in a position to say the amount of your own feed given to the ponies?—I don't think he can.

With regard to the supply of hay, it has been said that you did not draw any during February. Is that correct?—I must have supplied it myself, probably purchased from Abbas Khan in Kowloon.

Mafo's Evidence

Tang Ping, a mafao who looked after Salvage Master for Mr. Brayfield, stated that he drew the forage from Tau. In the morning, the pony was fed one pound of barley, one pound of oats, one and a half pounds of bran and a small quantity of mixed hay. In the afternoon it was given a quarter pound more of oats, and in the evening, it was fed an extra half pound of barley, and oats, and an additional three-quarter pounds of bran, compared with the morning feed.

During last February, the pony was also given five eggs at each feed, besides lucerne hay and beans, supplied by Mr. Brayfield himself. The fodder his pony received was about the same as that for other ponies, but the private food was a little bit more.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, witness said he did get hay from the Jockey Club during February. His pony got what he had already stated, and nothing more.

After corroborative evidence had been given by Tang Kam-shuen, the mafao in charge of Ship Master, Mr. Macnamara said that was the case for the plaintiff.

His Lordship then waited to know if the jury wished to say anything, and after several minutes had elapsed, the Foreman said they would like to have Tau called.

His Lordship: He would be called in the ordinary course of events. I

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7.00 Closing Local Steek Quotations.

7.02 Musical Comedy Selections. "Love, Life and Laughter"—Selection; "New Mayfair"—Orchestra; "Wild Violets"—Vocal Gems (Solo); Maria Elsner and Martin Kraemer of The State Opera; Dresden, with Chorus and Orchestra; Noel Coward Medley; The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall, with vocal chorus; "Queen of Hearts"—Selection; "It's Love Again"—Selection; Sydney Kyte and His Pleading Hotel Band, with vocal chorus; "The Cat and The Fiddle"—Vocal Gems (Harbach and Kern); Light Opera Company with Orchestra; "Head Over Heels"—Selection (Gor-

merely waited for you to see whether you would like to renew, in any form, the suggestion you had made earlier—whether you would like to retire to give this matter some consideration; you seemed to have formed a certain view of the case. I directed you at that time you must hear the case for the plaintiff first.

The Foreman said the jury would like to retire, but after ten minutes like to hear further evidence.

The case was then adjourned to 10 a.m. to-day.

don and Revel), Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony with vocal refrain.

7.35 London Relay—Mr. Gille Potter.

7.50 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Free—Fox-Trot; Take My Heart—Fox-Trot...with vocal refrain; Two Hearts in Cuba—Rumba.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Don Cosack Choir. The Epic of Serge Jaroff's Don Cosack Choir (Prof. Schwedoff; The Song of the Terek Cosacks (Jaroff)....conducted by Serge Jaroff; Russian Folk Song (arr. Jaroff)....conducted by Serge Jaroff; Monotonously Rings the Little Bell (Russian Folk Song—arr. Jaroff); Song of the Volga Boatmen (Russian Folk Song—arr. Jaroff)....conducted by Serge Jaroff.

8.20 Studio—Lya Gurevitch (Piano) playing Moussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition."

8.45 Orchestral compositions of Moussorgsky. Gopak (from "The Fair at Sorotchinsk"); London Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Albert Coates; Night on the Bare Mountain....London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Serenade....Reginald Foot at the B. B. C. Theatre Organ with Alfredo Campoli (Violin).

9.00 London Relay—"Food for Thought". Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Next week's programme. **9.30** London Relay—The News. **9.50** Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

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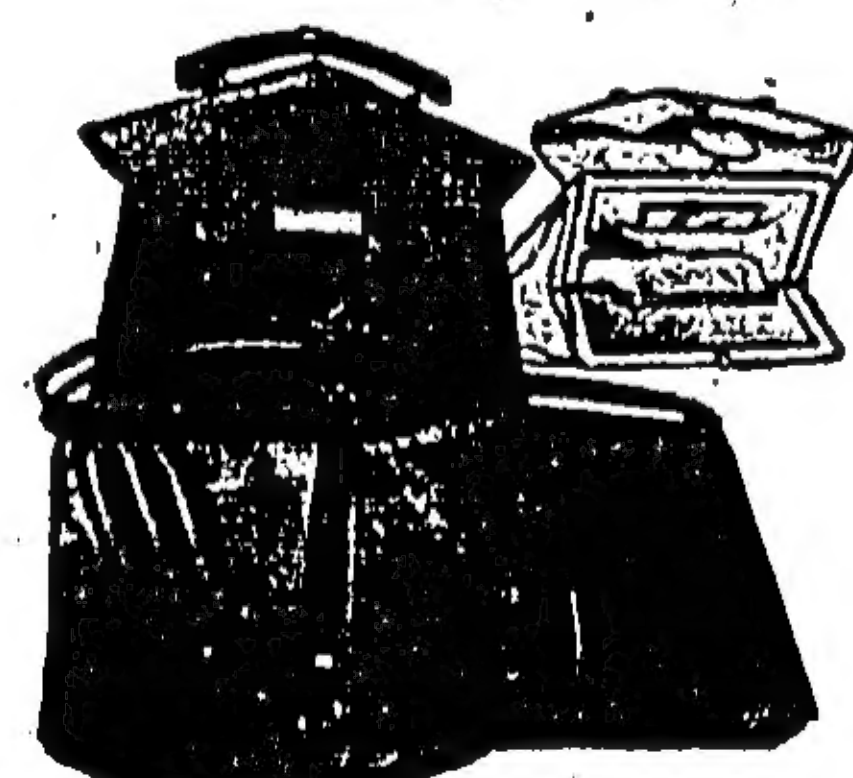
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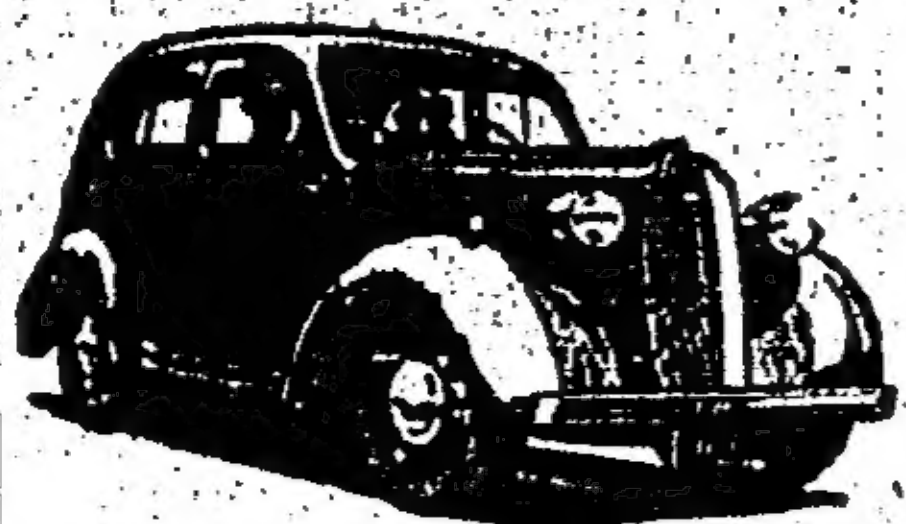
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Maskee

HONGKONG'S predilection for leaving things undone until the last minute is always more manifest just before Christmas than at any other time of the year.

You notice it first at the Philharmonic show, where nobody turns up for the opening night and nobody can get seats for the closing night. You notice it, with Christmas mails, with the unfortunate postal clerks twiddling thumbs for the first few mails and tearing their hair for the last two.

And you notice it, too, with Christmas shopping.

It cannot be said that the Hongkong public is not urged to post early and to shop early.

But this is the season of *maskee*, when to-morrow is just as good as to-day. What a howl there is, though if over-loaded planes cannot cope with the last mails, or overworked shop girls and assistants say apologetically that their best lines have been sold out.

Not only does the early bird get the worm, but the early shopper gets the best bird.

Breaking Joints

A PLETHORA of "remedies" for rheumatism have been sent to a contemporary in response to an appeal by a reader.

Rheumatism has always been one of the complaints favoured by humorous writers and stage comedians as a subject for laughs.

But it is no joke. Recently, we read that it cost England alone something like £60,000,000 a year.

It is the chief cause of heart disease, which kills 200,000 people in Britain every year.

While rheumatism remains a joke, many sufferers, fearing ridicule, will not hasten to be cured till it is too late.

In England, the Government is spending half a million pounds this year in searching for a cure.

Postscript

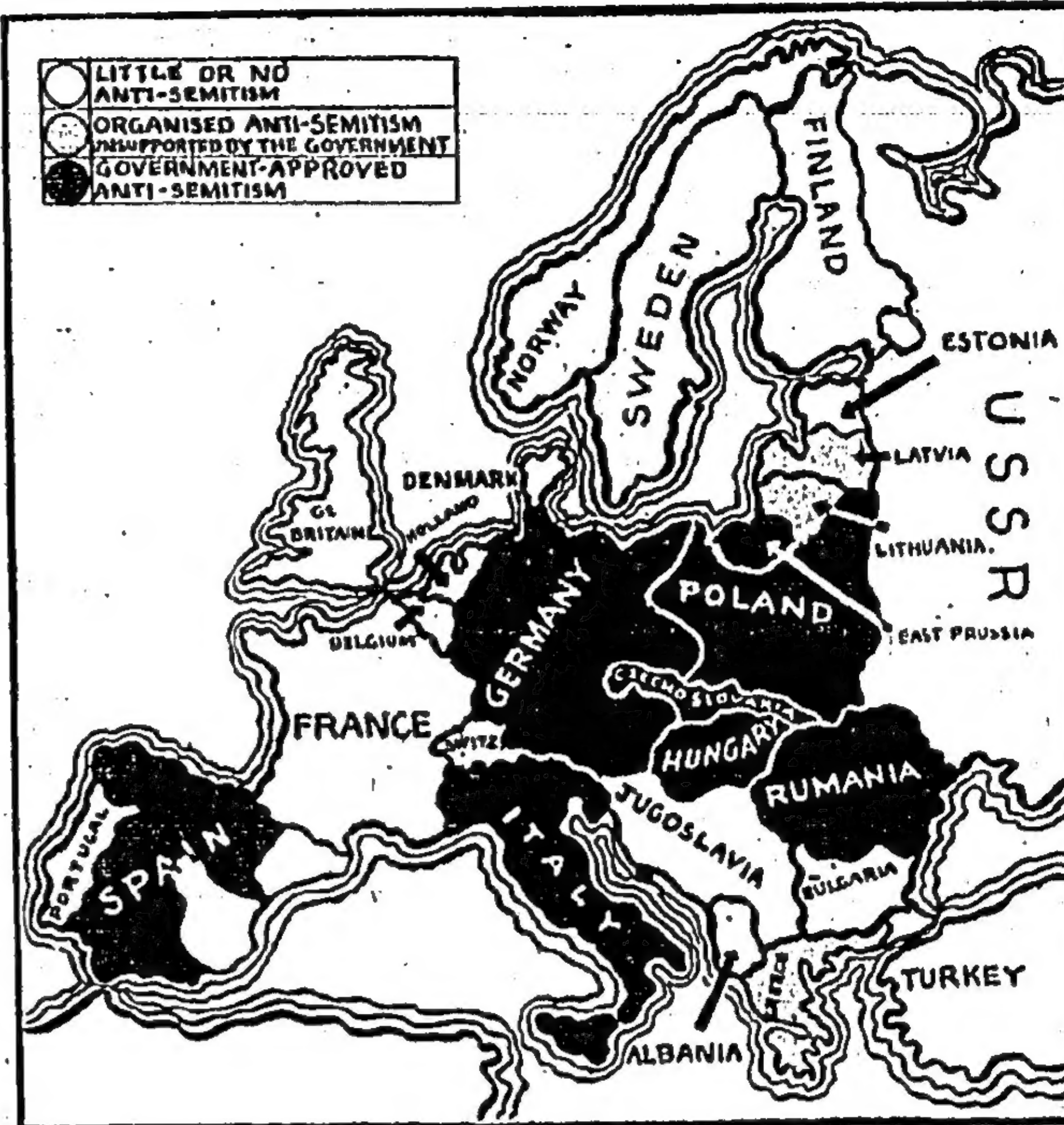
"PLEASE GIVE my prize-money to some poor children's fund."

Just a few words, written to the member of the "Telegraph" staff who conducts the Children's Corner.

But an object lesson to many Hongkong adults.

Black-out for Jews in Europe More than half the Continent

is anti-Semitic



GERMANY is thinking of reviving the medieval "ghetto" system under which Jews are allowed to live and carry on business only in prescribed districts.

In Germany, which contains only 360,000 of Europe's 10,000,000 Jews, anti-Semitism is more intensively organised than in any other European country.

The map shows how Jews are treated elsewhere in Europe. The big concentrations are in Czechoslovakia (350,000), Germany (360,000), Great Britain (333,000), Hungary (445,000), Poland (3,600,000), Rumania (900,000), and the U.S.S.R. (2,750,000). Italy, centre of so much recent agitation, has barely 77,000 Jews.

And the degree of oppression? In Italy Jews who arrived in the country after January 1, 1919, are to leave within six months.

In Hungary laws were passed in April of this year limiting the number of Jews to be employed in any one office to 20 per cent.

In Poland anti-Jewish riots occur almost daily.

In Rumania they are still talking of decimatising more than a quarter of a million Jews.

But in all the white and tinted areas on the map the Jews have full civil rights.

Health Nonsense

Feed a Cold, Starve a Fever

THIS saying dates from the time when "winter is icumen in" would have passed for ordinary phraseology. Fever was fever then, typhoid usually, and pretty common at that.

And if you had typhoid, and your inside was likely to perforate with it, it was quite a good idea not to have it crammed with peacock and stuffed capon.

But woe to the old wives and motherly spinsters who insist on feeding patients, clamorous for food, on slops just because the mercury inside a glass tube goes a bit beyond the red arrow. Woe to them, if I catch them at it.

You silly old wives; let your menfolk take it or leave it. When they go off their food, and get flushed, don't complain to me if their stomachs revolt at your basins of gruel and your horrible concoctions of "egg-in-milk."

How smugly despairing you are when you relate, "I gave him a good dose of castor oil last night, and an egg-in-milk this morning, but he couldn't keep it down."

Here's the truth. When a cold seems imminent, don't stuff to repletion, and then curl up round the fire in a nice fug of woolies and bedroom slippers. Get out and take exercise to clear the airways.

If and when you are fairly caught, then eat what you want, and nothing else. But mind you drink by the quart. Water and fruit drinks are best.

As soon as you feel the longing for a steak again, have it.

I Have a Relaxed Throat

HEAVEN knows how many of you have been in danger of throttling at

DID YOU WORK IT OUT?

George drove 170 miles on the first day of his nine-day trip. His expected allowance was £5.

the hands of your mild-mannered doctor for saying this.

You come in to see him, a man whose purely medical education has cost £1,000 and six years, all sorts of vague anaemias and to say nothing of the hard school of actual practice; you show him a red and angry gorge, a pharynx turgid with inflammation, vocal cords swollen to twice their size, so stiff that you can only talk in croaks; and then you declaim your proud diagnosis, "Relaxed throat."

Honestly, there is no such thing. Your lovely dream of

were unobtainable luxuries in remote villages.

And so folk lacked the vitamin, and got mild scurvy, and this saying does still make a lot of people who are ill from quite other causes stuff themselves full of apple in the hope of buying immunity. They burden their colons with indigestible cellulose, and torture themselves with flatulence.

Well, if you can't enjoy a good apple without a proverb, here is one I approve: "An apple is gold in the morning, and lead at night."

Catching that
Internal Chill

PEOPLE with an appendix, people who have stepped out and eaten mixtures of things they are ashamed to remember, poor folk who have unwittingly eaten a bit of sausage past its prime, all these expect a sensible doctor to believe that the cause of that pain and internal turmoil is a chill draught of air reaching their insides through clothes, skin, that nice wad of tummy fat most of them have, abdominal muscles, and peritoneum.

Your beliefs, ladies and gentlemen, belong to the days when no sensible citizen slept without a nightcap for fear his brain would be overcooled, with possibly fatal results.

In truth, your pain is due to what you have lowered down the red lane from your mouth, and you have colitis, enteritis, perityphilitis, etc., according to the exact circumstances.

Hour's Sleep Before
Midnight Is Worth Three
After

THAT would be perfectly sound if only people would not be too narrow-minded. The national diet was sadly lacking in Vitamin C. After all, it has obviously to make a new isn't so long since grapefruit was hour for the proverb. I was unknown here and oranges should that put it at 4 a.m.

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Can you work this out?

GEORGE, who had been travelling round England on leave got home last Wednesday evening and started to make out his expense sheet.

He was supposed to enter up the car mileage he had done each day. At first all that he could remember was that he had "left home" the Tuesday before last and had driven 1,170 miles altogether.

Then he remembered something else—that he had driven ten miles less on each succeeding day of his trip.

He was then able to figure out how many miles he had done each day.

Can you do so too?

Next, George began to calculate how much he had spent. Entertaining had come to a lot. A quarter of the money he had allowed himself had gone on theatre tickets, a fifth on dinners, a sixth on odd drinks for buyers, and a tenth on tips and extras.

In all George had got through £2 3s., and that was being economical.

What was the total amount of George's special expenses.

See foot of first column for the answer.

All that saying means is that the first hour or so of sleep is the most profound, the most actively restoring, and that the later ones are more in the nature of a luxury than a necessity.

Of course, if you like to get all mystical about midnight, and refer to human vitality being at its lowest at 8 a.m., and the ebbing tide, and all that, you are entitled to take the saying quite literally. But I won't sympathise.

And now, just to show I'm not just another dry-as-dust, cynical scientist, here is a saying I heartily approve:

Oysters and Whisky
Are Exceedingly Risky

I BELIEVE this to be a fact. I can't explain why. Probably gin or tea would mix equally badly with them. Personally, I regard it as a just visitation on those who treat Nature's gifts with such wilful irreverence.

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1938 FLAT RACING SEASON CONCLUDES TO-MORROW

THREE AUTUMN CHAMPIONS FOR THE LAST MEET

SILKYLIGHT SEEMS SURE OF DUPLICATING ITS ST. LEGER SUCCESS

(By "Captain Foster")

There will be no more flat racing for the season after to-morrow when the last Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged at Happy Valley. The first saddling will be at 1.30 p.m. sharp. We will then have to exercise patience until the Annual Carnival in February and there is no doubt that it will be a big affair. Training among the new batch of 1939 Australian ponies is now in full swing. Some anxiety was at one time felt by the Hongkong Jockey Club about the delivery of the China ponies for 1939 Annual Race Meeting owing to political hostilities, but thanks to the kindness of the Government has arrived and the programme for the carnival will not have to be curtailed.

Three Autumn champions over one and a quarter miles, confined to China ponies, Australian ponies of any season, and China ponies sub-griffins of this year, feature to-morrow's programme. Attention of owners is drawn to the fact that nominations for the above three classes are post-poned and it is essential that they be declared in writing as starters by putting their names in the declaration box in the usual manner. The other five minor contests are more or less consolation events confined to ponies of the Australian and China classes that have not won more than \$1,000 in stakes since January 1, and this ban has precluded several public favourites from donning the silk to-morrow.

It would, however, give a false colouring should I attempt to suggest that there will be no opposition in the three classic fights, but the convincing manner in which Silky Light ran about a month ago, argues very much in favour of his chance of duplicating the success in the Hongkong Autumn Champions. The prospect is further enhanced by the presence of Mr. T. B. Moller who, it is learned, will be coming down to pilot the triple-crown winner. I said nice things about Mrs. J. H. Taggart's Lancashire Chips in my last racing notes, but her nomination to-morrow has a stiff proposition in Courtling Eve, belonging to Mr. Li Lan-sang, in the Queensland Autumn Champions. I am not, however, too sanguine that Salvage Master, owned by the stable "Wong Sui Ngau", will have an easy sailing in the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions, for the mare did not please the rail critics in her try-out last Saturday morning.

ENCARNACAO LEADS JOCKEY LIST AT PRESENT

I do not propose at this juncture to review the 1938 racing season, but it must be admitted that the Hongkong Jockey Club has had a very successful year. The presence of several good northern jockeys has contributed in no small measure to the success of our extra meetings, coupled with the remarkable sunshine weather we have had for the second half racing season. The curtain will be dropped to-morrow and it looks to me that Mr. C. Encarnacao will be the champion jockey. The following is a list showing the position of those jockeys who have won wins and over during the season:

	Wins	2nds	3rds
C. Encarnacao	24	18	17
A. W. Raymond	23	17	17
V. V. Needa	20	12	14
H. C. Pih	18	9	15
H. C. Pih	16	15	18
S. C. Liang	13	16	14
D. Black	13	7	10
P. Y. T. Wei	11	4	8
L. B. Chao	10	11	8

By scoring a "hat-trick" in Macao last Sunday, Mr. A. W. Raymond has improved his position and should give the leader a good run for the honour. A win for Mr. Raymond will result in a tie.

OPENING EVENT

Bear Claw Only Old-Timer In Race

Punters should be present to see the opening event, the Hongkong Autumn Champions, confined to China ponies over 1 1/4 miles, and am certain that it will be the best contest of the afternoon. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys:

Bear Claw	S. W. Tang
Cameroon	C. Encarnacao
Confusion Bay	H. J. Hoarne
Expression Time	V. V. Needa
Silky Light	R. B. Moller

Bear Claw is the only old timer against the youngsters of this year and it seems to me that he is going out to pace his stable mate Confusion Bay.

However, in a race such as the Hongkong Autumn Champions for the best China ponies, I am not prepared to delve into the pros and cons of all the entries, but my fancy is Silky Light who Confusion Bay and Expression Time to fill the other two places. Confusion Bay may or may not be a better animal, but I have my own opinion and I stand by my own conviction.

Able Amazon Given Top Weight Here

The Laggards' Handicap over a mile for Australian ponies that have not won more than \$1,000 has drawn only a handful of entries. Able Amazon holds the post of honour with 108 lbs. to carry and I think the mare has a good sporting chance of collecting the first prize. Derby Day and Ranier are nicely weighted, the latter looking extremely well.

Rose Jane Good Bet In Tardy H'Cap

There were two divisions among the "C" entries of China ponies at the Tardy Handicap over a mile, but only three first section runners. Lucky, who finished second behind Tampa Bay (the latter eventually disqualified for bumping), has been penalised 15 lbs. and this, I am afraid, may hinder his chance. This stallion is owned by Mr. Eu Tong-son who has another two nominations in Rose Jane and Rose Queen. I have not been able to discover which steed will be the mount of the potential champion jockey, but Rose Jane is a good bet to have your money on. The latter mare ran a good race behind Rose Evelyn (winner) and Soldier of China in the Portobello Handicap and it will be recalled that the time of the second section was faster than the first division. Jungle Jim seems to be in better condition, but the guy is not the same fellow of his prime. Night View is handy at 140 lbs and may upset the applecart.

Courting Eve Should Win Aussie Race

The following undermentioned Australian ponies,

Centre Court	to be ridden by	Mr. S. W. Tang
Courting Eve	do	Mr. H. C. Pih
Lancashire Chips	do	Mr. B. C. Proulx
Lucky Lad	do	Mr. V. V. Needa
Snowy River	do	Mr. A. W. Raymond
Strathroy	do	Mr. A. F. D. Colson

are likely to weigh out for the Queensland Autumn Champions over a course of 1 1/4 miles, but I cannot advocate the claims of any pony to beat Courting Eve. With due respect to the capability to Lancashire Chips as a racer, I am afraid this chestnut may not last the distance and furthermore Mrs. Taggart's candidature has not pulled in the matter of poundage. In his last outing when he trounced Courting Eve, Lancashire Chips was in receipt of 13 lbs. whereas to-morrow Mr. Proulx is to tip the scale at 182 lbs. and Mr. Pih has to draw only 155 lbs. The form book shows that Courting Eve has always been over a stone better than Lancashire Chips and the possibility of reversing the handicapper's distribution of the lead is very remote. The champion, Strathroy, appears to be in the pink of condition and he and Centre Court should be in the line-up at the finish. The Fremantle St. Leger winner, Lucky Lad, with Vic Needa in the saddle will make his debut among the "A" class runners, but his chance of a place is like a camel passing the eye of a needle.

DOUBLE CHANCE INCURS PENALTY OF SEVEN POUNDS

By virtue of his win in Macao, Major Oliver's Double Chance has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. in the Dilatory Handicap for class 1 runners over a mile, and incidentally



A scene at the paddock during saddling time in the St. Andrew's Stakes at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley. The pony on the right is Mrs. Drubar's Red Feather, winner of the event, with Mr. P. Y. T. Wei up, and at left is Cosack's Beauty, with Mr. Y. T. Fung in the saddle.—Pictorial News.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The "Telegraph" forecast on Home Football matches scored again last week. Eight teams were specially picked out to win at home, and they all did! The following are the teams selected to win in to-morrow's programme:

HOME WINNERS

Arsenal
Barnford
Everton
Blackburn
Manchester C.
West Ham
Celtic
Kilmarnock

OPTIONAL SELECTIONS

Chesterfield
Crystal Pal.
Doncaster R.
Gateshead

this event will be the first leg of the daily double. It is, however, to be regretted that the list of entries is not much longer, but, owing to the mediocre class of animals, the punter is that everyone has an equal chance. It looks that the winner is to be found among the low weights, such as Diogenes, Ebony Idol and Flybynight, the last being the cream. In the middle of the assessment, Plain View should have

Mr. S. W. Tang	Mr. H. C. Pih
Mr. B. C. Proulx	Mr. V. V. Needa
Mr. A. W. Raymond	Mr. A. F. D. Colson

Dekko Tipped For Autumn Champions

Good Run Made In Morning Gallop

The conditions of the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions are for China ponies that have started in at least three extra meetings and the winner is to receive \$1,000. Cuban Love, Dekko, Easy Time, Fei Ying, Golden Cow, Lancashire Chap, National Guard, Piet Hein, Salvage Master, Smiling Thru, Split Hand, The Leopard, Tribute and Wemning are eligible for the last classic of the season, and I doubt all will face the start. The likely starters with their respective jockeys are as follows:

Dekko	H. P. Chanson
Fei Ying	A. W. Raymond
National Guard	S. W. Tang
Piet Hein	H. C. Pih
Salvage Master	B. L. Tao
Tribute	S. L. Yuen
Wemning	L. Wade

Louis XIV is ineligible owing to the fact that he has started only twice after the Annual Carnival and

F. A. CUP RE-PLAY RESULTS

Three More Teams In Third Round

London, Dec. 15. Stockport, Chester and Yeovil and the Second Round re-plays in the F. A. Cup to-day. The following were the results:

Walthamstow	1	Stockport	3
Hull	0	Chester	1
Yeovil & Petter	1	Folkestone	0

—Reuter.

Golden Cow is definitely not accepting.

From the entries, the issue is between Dekko and Salvage Master, and Piet Hein has the sporting chance of a place in the lowest position. In the book form, Salvage Master (the winner of Sub-griffins St. Leger) should walk away with it, but it seems to me that the mare is not well keyed for the event while Dekko impressed me in his try-out last Saturday. There is no better time recorder than a stopwatch, but it does not give you all the necessary information. Salvage Master went over the full distance last Saturday in 3.00.4/5 while Dekko covered the same course in 2.54.5/5. Comparing the training times returned by Salvage Master and Dekko over the week end, the latter's figure was faster than Salvage Master's time by six one-fifth seconds, but what weights did they carry? As said, I was very much impressed with the finish of Dekko in a hard run and therefore give him my vote to be followed by Salvage Master and Piet Hein.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

There is a short list of only eight nominations for the second leg of the daily double and I cannot see anything to touch A Great Time in the Last Chance Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile. It is almost a dead certainty that it is not Dekko, but the joint is just right for Violet Queen. Cape York is a moody animal and he has the lowest impost to shoulder. He put up a fast three-quarters of a mile last Wednesday, covering the length in 1.23.1/5 and it would be advisable not to overlook this. For a long shot, Cape York is worth the investment of \$5 each way.

LAST EVENT

The Finale Handicap for "E" class China ponies over a mile will close the second half racing season. Stylic, who won a race in Macao last Sunday has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. and we can therefore leave him out of the reckoning. Wemning may start in the champion classic, but should he weigh out here, he and Easy Time should be joint favourites. Tabby Cat is due for a win, but be careful with Sea Dragon who is in the right class.

RIDING TEST ON SUNDAY

Since writing the above I have been informed that the riding test of the subscription griffins will take place at the Racecourse on Sunday, December 18, at 7.30 a.m. The draw for the ponies finally accepted by the Stewards will be held in the Administration Block at the Stables on Monday, December 19, at 5 p.m. sharp.

Here And There With "Abe"

STANDARD OF WOMEN'S TENNIS DETERIORATES

CONSIDERING the fact that it was a semi-final tie, the match between Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Tracey, on one side, and Mrs. Burnett and Miss Violet Broadbent on the other, in the Ladies' Doubles tennis championship of the Colony, played at the United Services R.C. on Wednesday, was extremely disappointing. The standard of play was poor and the monotony of the exchanges, with both pairs hugging the base-lines, was unrelieved by a volley or a smash. Whilst watching the match, one even had the time to ponder over the state of women's tennis in the Colony at the present moment and rather reluctantly, one had to admit that it was the standard of semi-finalists, then ladies' tennis in Hongkong has indeed sadly deteriorated. In view of the commendable spirit in which most of the ladies joined the competition, it would be churlish to criticise their lack of skill, but inevitably one comes across there with players of not so long ago who added lustre to the game here. One recalls Mrs. Tottenham, Miss Enid Lo (now Mrs. Linton), Mrs. Kayll, Mrs. James, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Rosamund Hancock—all these and others were a cut above the present-day players. One even doubts whether Miss Rose Perry, who won all three titles—the singles, doubles and mixed doubles—for which she competed, would have been able to hold her own against any one of these I have named.

They Come—And Go

MRS. LITTON and Miss Hancock and Miss Perry are local products; the others were here because their husbands were stationed or working in the Colony. During their sojourn here, they raised the standard of play in the tournaments, and when their husbands left, they went away with them, leaving us the poorer. Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. Linton provided many a fine match in the Colony championship, and then Mrs. Kayll set a new standard for women in Hongkong—the regards mixed doubles play. She and "Lolly" Goldman were an unbeatable pair in the League, and their success was as much due to her hard hitting as to his skill. Then we had Mrs. Nora Wilson, small in stature but a giant in strength, who at her best was undoubtedly the best lady player in the Colony. Miss Hancock was unfortunately in the same generation (in tennis ability) as Mrs. Wilson, but if she was often over-shadowed, one always realised and appreciated her ability.

The Present Ones

WHO of the present lot can lay claim to being as good as those already named? I am afraid none can. Of all those in the tournament, the only one who could be compared was Mrs. Clifford, wife of Commander Clifford; but she had to go north recently before completing her matches. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, who have already reached the semi-finals of the doubles, seem to me to be the best of a rather weak bunch; and though they have yet to play Miss P. Anderson and Miss Yeung Wai-bun, I



Captain Eduardo Lema of Chile takes Lancers over a hurdle during practice at Governors Island, N.Y., for the National Horse Show at New York. Note that the horse is not wearing a bridle.

Badminton

ST. JOHN'S CONTINUES GOOD FORM

S. And S. Home Loses Nine-Nil

On Wednesday, St. John's Cathedral won another match in the "B" Division of the Badminton League, defeating the S. and S. Home by 9-0. Scores:

F. H. Kwok and R. Beavan (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-4; beat Walker and Thorn 21-5.

D. Kwok and S. Newman (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-8; beat Walker and Thorn 21-0.

N. Smith and C. Ladd (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-15; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-3; beat Walker and Thorn 21-8.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Two matches will be played in the Mixed Doubles League this evening, the programme being:

*Taikoo v. St. John's University
*Venue changed at request of Taikoo.

CLOSE RUGBY LEAGUE WIN

London, Dec. 15. A close victory was scored by Wigan over Barrow in the Rugby League to-day, the scores being eight points to seven.—Reuter.

opposition generally considered weak, they have been conceded a great chance of winning the championship at long last. Last week-end, they were to have played Paul Kog and Miss Loo in the quarter-finals, but on the day of the match Rumjahn developed a bad foot, and as a result he and his partner had to give a walk-over to their opponents. Bad luck, "H.D."

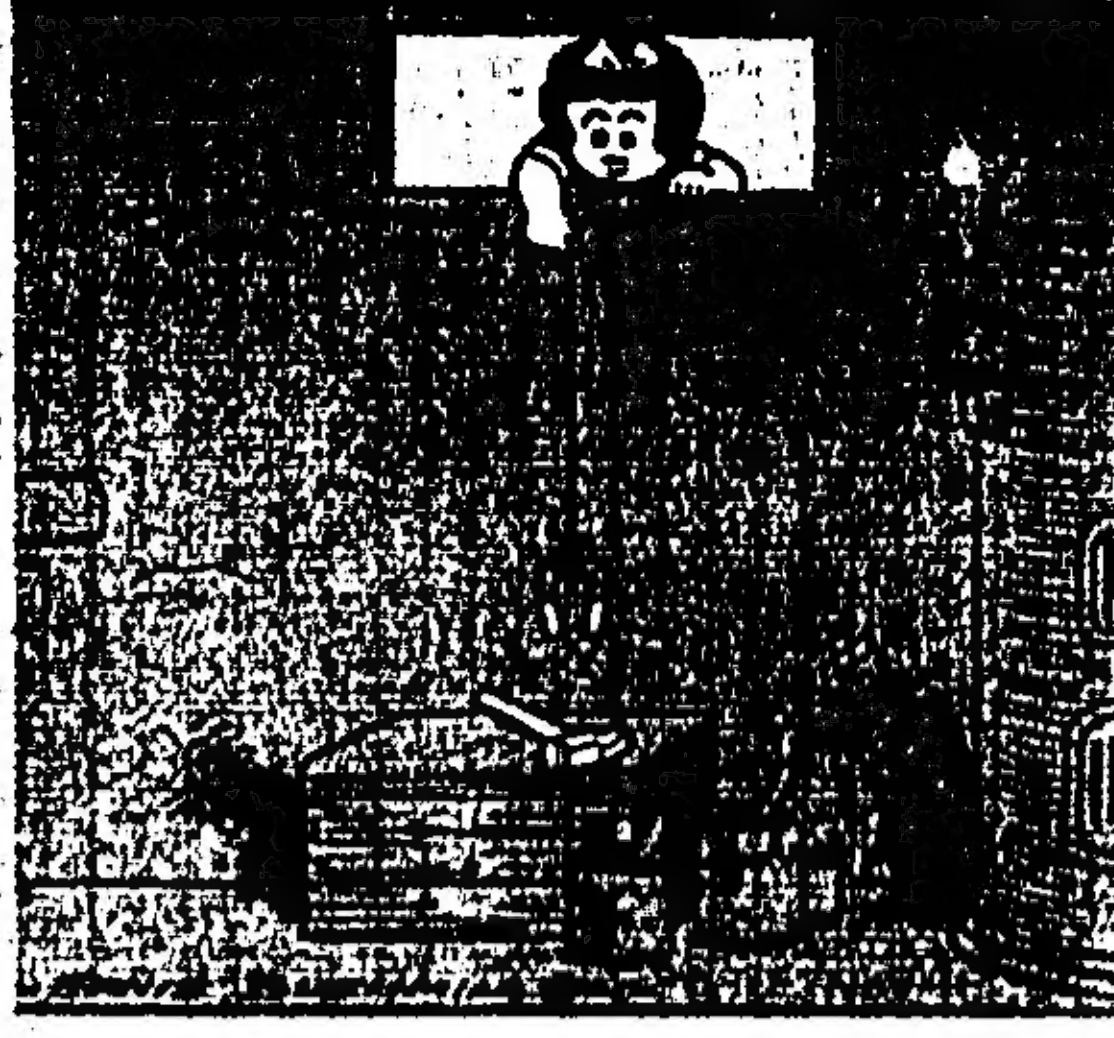
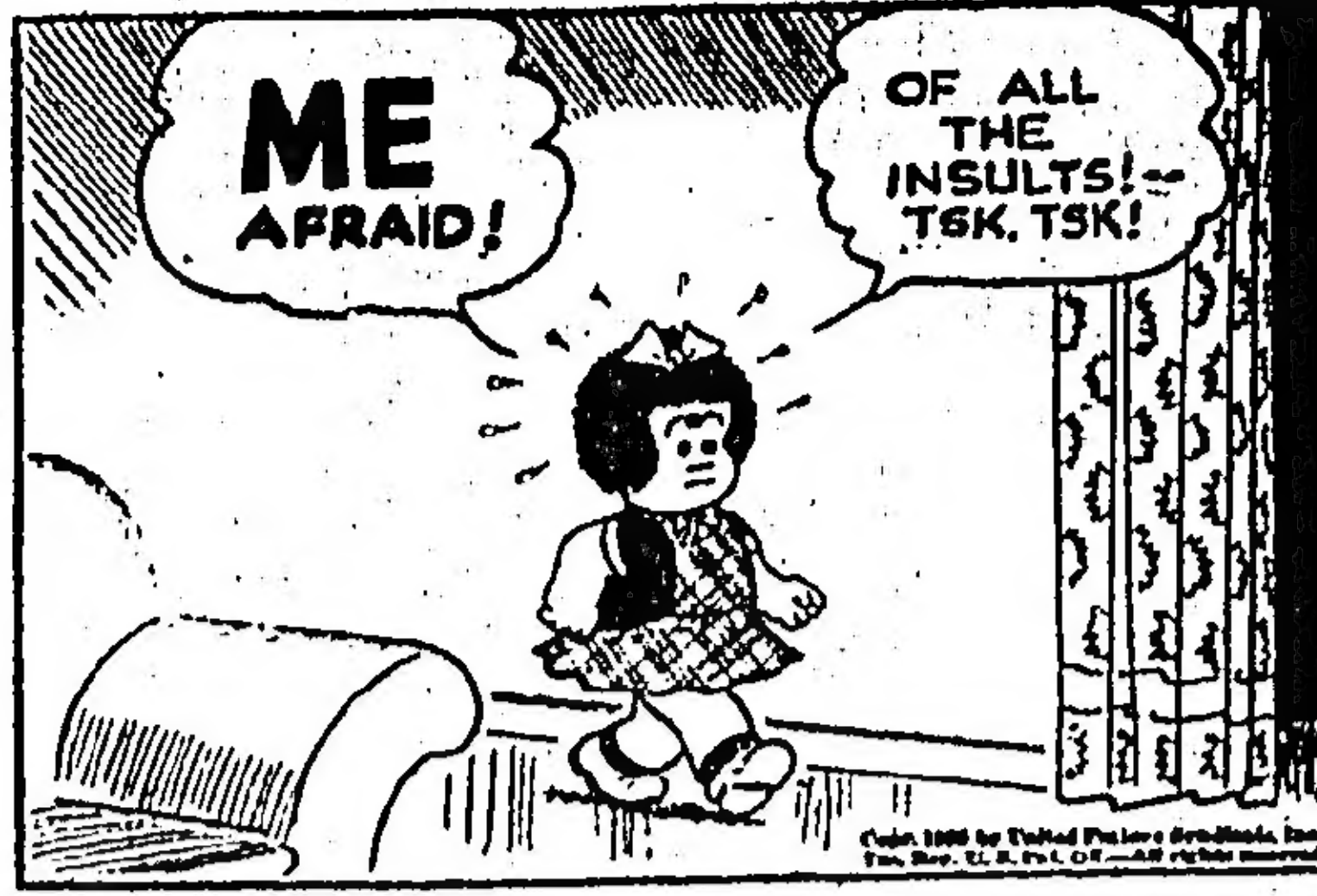
Boon's Chance

ERIC (Boy) Boon, one of the National Sporting Club's greatest hopefuls, has his big chance when he meets Dave Crowley for the British lightweight boxing title. Known as "Sonny" to his friends and to the 5,000 inhabitants of his native Cambridgeshire village of Chatteris, blue-eyed, ruddy complexioned Boon has been fighting for six years. At the age of 12, he was beating boys much older than himself. Before he was 16, he had fought 40 times and won mostly on knock-outs. Until this year, he continued working in his father's forge, when he reckons he got his powerful punch; and it is his exceptional punching ability that he is banking on in his bout with Crowley. That he has the punch to knock out Crowley seems to be generally admitted, but it is considered doubtful whether he is capable of creating the necessary openings against the experienced ringcraft of Crowley, whose bobbing, weaving and non-stop methods make him a difficult target.

Honour For Butler

D. W. BUTLER has accepted the Championship of the Colony, only to lose when the title seemed within their grasp. This year, with the

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

E. R. A. Thorpe Nearly Scores First 100

Good Turn-Out At Rifle Shoot on Wednesday: an Overseas Match Practice

The 4th. Submarine Flotilla were again to the fore in Wednesday's Spoon and Practice Shoot, carrying off the Nett Spoon both for S.R. (a) and S.R. (b). E.R.A. Thorpe nearly scored the first 100 of the season, and Sgt. Dumville of the R.A.S.C. scored a "possible" at 500 yards. The Hongkong Police Reserve had two members in the nineties, while the Committee have asked Inspector Chau to take part in the team practice shoots.

Scoring amongst the S.R. (a) was low. E.R.A. Thorpe of the 4th. Submarine Flotilla carrying off the Nett Spoon with 82.

The Colony teams were firing on reserved targets, and were debuffed from the Spoon Shoot. A practice for the Overseas Postal Match was carried out, eleven rounds (10 to count) at 300, 500, and 600 yards. P.O. J. C. Swan as coach very appropriately had the leading score of 134, followed by Sgt. Hale of the Middlesex with 137. The best range score was obtained by Mr. T. J. Boulton of the Dockyard Rifle Club with 48 out of 50 at 500 yards. P.O. H. Richards of the Naval Range Staff leads the S.R. (a) team with 123, scoring the consistent 41. Private Rammond of the Volunteers had the highest range score, 42, at 500 yards.

There will be a practice of the Far East Trophy Match for the S.R. (b) Colony team at tomorrow at Stonecutters, the Naval Range Staff kindly placing targets at their disposal—8 rounds (7 to count) at 200, 500, and 600 yards; and a practice of the Overseas Postal Match for the S.R. (a) Colony team tomorrow at Tulkoo Range, kindly lent by the Tulkoo Club—11 rounds (10 to count) at 300, 500, and 600 yards. Both start at 2 p.m.

There will be the usual spoon shoot at 200, 500, and 600 yards (8 rounds) on Sunday morning, with an affiliated Club Match run concurrently: teams for the Club Match to consist of 3

S.R. (b) and 3 S.R. (a). The Clay-bird Range, Revolver Range, and two Pool Bull targets will also be open. Shooting commences at 8.45 a.m. on Sunday.

Lieut. A. J. Le Scelleur, R.E., has taken over duties as Assistant Honorary Secretary of the Association (Telephone, Headquarters 73).

The leading scores and spoon winners were as follows:

S.R. (b)	Score	S.R. (a)	Score
E.R.A. J. R. Thorpe (Ser.)	82	P.O. J. C. Swan	134
C.E.R.A. R. W. Atkinson (2)	30	Sgt. R. G. Heap	48
P/Sgt. L. C. Pennell (2)	31	Capt. F. P. Sequeira	48
Sgt. R. J. Tompkins (2)	31	Mr. T. J. Boulton	48
Cpl. F. Cole (3)	30	Cpl. H. W. Morris	39
Sgt. F. H. Thong (5)	34	Pte. J. Scott	40
Inspector P. Lele (5)	29	Sgt. W. Stear	40
Sgt. N. Dumville (3)	27	Pte. D. M. Sim	41
L/Cpl. W. Henderson (5)	29	Sgt. B. Kane	42
L/O. A. Clark (2)	28	Cpl. Maghar Singh	37
Major S. White (4)	28		
Sgt. A. C. Chan (4)	30		
Sgt. W. N. May (12)	25		
Lt. K. C. Ho (12)	30		
Pte. J. Adams (Nil)	10		
Sgt. J. B. Nickle	23		
Pte. J. W. Walters (Nil)	24		
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"101" Rifle.

S.R. (a)	Score	S.R. (b)	Score
E.R.A. J. F. Sherlock (10)	23	P.O. J. C. Swan	46
Pte. D. M. Sim (3)	23	Sgt. R. G. Heap	48
A.B. E. G. Flood (5)	24	Capt. F. P. Sequeira	48
E.R.A. J. C. Chick (10)	25	Mr. T. J. Boulton	48
Sgt. W. N. May (12)	25	Cpl. H. W. Morris	39
Mr. N. L. Pan (10)	24	Pte. J. Scott	40
Cpl. J. D. Booth (9)	24	Sgt. W. Stear	40
Sgt. R. Moore (11)	18	Pte. D. M. Sim	41
Lieut. R. W. Mayo (12)	25	Sgt. B. Kane	42
Lt. K. C. Ho (12)	30	Cpl. Maghar Singh	37
Pte. J. Adams (Nil)	10		
Sgt. J. B. Nickle	23		
Pte. J. W. Walters (Nil)	24		
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"denotes winner of the 'Nett' spoon."

"denotes winner of the 'handicap' spoon."

N.B. Winner of spoon had his handicap reduced as above by one point.

Practice shoot for Overseas Postal Match:

S.R. (b)	Score	S.R. (a)	Score
P.O. J. C. Swan	46	P.O. J. C. Swan	46
Sgt. R. G. Heap	48	Sgt. R. G. Heap	48
Capt. F. P. Sequeira	48	Capt. F. P. Sequeira	48
Mr. T. J. Boulton	48	Mr. T. J. Boulton	48
Cpl. H. W. Morris	39	Cpl. H. W. Morris	39
Pte. J. Scott	40	Pte. J. Scott	40
Sgt. W. Stear	40	Sgt. W. Stear	40
Pte. D. M. Sim	41	Pte. D. M. Sim	41
Sgt. B. Kane	42	Sgt. B. Kane	42
Cpl. Maghar Singh	37	Cpl. Maghar Singh	37

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Allan Jones and Fanny Brice in "Everybody Sing" next change at the Theatre.

National U.S. Golf Title Play

New York, Dec. 6. The United States Golf Association announced to-day that it would conduct the 1939 national open golf championship at Glen View Hill between September 11 and 16.—United Press.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Judge Hardy's Children" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Another of the series of pictures about the Hardy family. Those who liked the first one, "You're Only Young Once," are almost certain to enjoy this one too. There is a refreshing quality about the series which cannot fail to appeal, and the presence of Mickey Rooney guarantees the laughs.

"Annabel Takes a Tour" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—For those who care for the antics of Jack Oakie will find this amusing. There has been one picture already in the same vein—Oakie as a high-pressure press agent and Lucille Ball as a cinema star, talked into trying Oakie's fool schemes.

"Always in Trouble" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Jane Withers is starred in a role of a rich girl who is nearly always in trouble.

"Bluebeard's Eighth Wife" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—The stars—Gary Cooper and Claudette Colbert. The producer and director—Ernst Lubitsch. Need any more be said? There are some splendid bits in this picture, which on the whole is splendid entertainment.

"The Prisoner of Zenda" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—One of the best examples of the sort of thing Hollywood does best. Ronald Colman plays the dual role of a visiting Englishman and the irresponsible king whom he minutely resembles, taking part in a grand series of pageants, midnight chases, rendezvous in a corridor hunting lodge, duels in the bridge room of a meat and a romance with a beautiful princess, Madeleine Carroll. The well-known story re-made with new trimmings.

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CHINESE ACTORS ENTERTAIN

Charity Football At Valley

At the Club ground yesterday the Chinese stage and film stars entertained in aid of the War Refugee Fund.

Early in the afternoon a varied programme was given of boxing, pugilism, stick fighting, acrobatics, and singing, and the whole programme was excellently arranged and performed very capably.

At 4 p.m. a football match was played between the stage and screen actors, the stage stars winning by only goal scored.

The stage actors included in their side Sit Kok-shin the famous Hong-kong actor, Sun Ma See-chung, Chan Kam-tong, and Luk Fee-hung. In the film stars were Kwong Shan-shui, Chin Tai-shuk, Shek Yau-yu, the old South China player, Yang Kwan-hap and the well known star Ng Chor-fan. The game was very capably handled by Mr. W. Hollands.

Dr. Li Shu-fan kicked off for the stage actors. A small ball was used and fresh players were introduced at half time.

About half way through the first half the stage actors secured the lead when Yu Foo-sun, outside left, went through on his own, using his speed to good advantage and placed his shot well wide of the goalkeeper. After half time the film players had more of the game, but there was no further scoring.

MEDICALS BEATEN

In a Third Division "B" Section encounter at Happy Valley yesterday the 24th Battery R.A. experienced little difficulty in collecting both points by virtue of a five goals to one victory over the Medicals. The gunners fully deserved their success as they were the better balanced team and took full use of what scoring opportunities that came their way. At the interval the Gunners led by three goals scored by Owens, Marshall and Summer. They added two more goals through Marshall after the interval and the Medicals scored 10 minutes before the close through Scriven.

WIN FOR R.A.F.

At Chatham Road yesterday the R.A.F. beat Kurnan Rifles by three goals to one in the Third Division "B" Section.

The Airmen opened the score when Henley, playing at right back, took a tremendous kick from the half way line. Shortly after this the Kurnans were awarded a penalty which resulted in Narain Singh, netting with a well placed shot, thus placing the teams on an even footing. After half-time Dawson scored the second goal for the R.A.F. and Smith the third.

ARMY BOXING FINALS

Inter-Company Bouts At Murray Barracks

Though skill was not predominant at the Royal Scots' Inter-Company boxing finals at Murray Barracks last night, some excellent fights featured the programme. As was mentioned prior to the distribution of the prizes by Brigadier J. T. W. Reeve, not all can be boxers, but much can be said for a man who can take a beating in the ring. In this respect, L/Cpl. Lochrie (H.Q. Coy.) covered himself with glory. He fought himself to a standstill, and after several ups and downs, lost on points to Pte. Sharkey ("C" Coy.).

"C" Company won the final, beating H.Q. Company by 20 points to 13, and perhaps the cleverest and most deserved victory was that of Pte. Larkins ("C" Coy.) over Pte. Lane (H.Q.) in the heavyweight bout. Lane opened with a terrific rush, bringing across terrible right swings, which fortunately for Larkins did not land. With a fine and effective left, Lane was kept at a distance. Larkins coolly allowed him to exhaust his abundant energy before stepping into range towards the end of the second round, and taking many valuable points. Lane showed more caution in the last round, which consequently seemed comparatively "tame", but his deficit was too much to reduce, and lost on points. The complete results were:

FINALS

Featherweight
L/Cpl. Brown (H.Q.) knocked out Pte. Hall ("C") in the first round.

Bantamweight
Pte. Scott ("C") knocked out Pte. Moyes (H.Q.) in the first round.

Lightweight
First String—L/Cpl. Morley ("C") beat L/Cpl. Barker (H.Q.).

Second String—Pte. Scott ("C") knocked out Pte. Wallace (H.Q.) in the first round.

Third String—L/Cpl. Miller ("C") knocked out Pte. McNeice (H.Q.) in the second round.

Welterweight
First String—L/Cpl. Ritchie ("C") beat Pte. Wiseman (H.Q.).

Second String—Pte. Sharkey ("C") beat L/Cpl. Lochrie (H.Q.).

Third String—Pte. Allan ("C") knocked out Pte. Bryant (H.Q.) in the first round.

Middleweight
First String—Bdmn. Emerson (H.Q.) beat Pte. Moore ("C").

Second String—Pte. Butterworth ("C") beat Pte. Cook (H.Q.).

Heavyweight
Pte. Larkins ("C") beat Pte. Lane (H.Q.).

SEMI-FINALS
H.Q. Company beat "A" Company by 18 points to 15.

"C" Company beat "D" Company by 19 points to 13.

These bouts were fought on Tuesday at Murray Barracks.

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Mar. (1939)	8.28/27	8.23/23
May (1939)	8.07/07	8.04/04
July (1939)	7.78/78	7.74/74
Oct. (1939)	7.48/47	7.44/44
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New York Rubber

	December	16.21/21
Mar. (1939)	16.20b/20a	16.07/11
May	16.20/23	15.99/16.02
Sept.		16.02/03
Oct.		15.94/16.00

Sales for the day—3,400 tons.

Chicago Wheat

December ..	_____	64 1/4/64 1/4
May	67 1/4/67 1/4	66 1/4/66 1/4
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Wednesday's Sales—6,803,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

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July	53 1/4/53 1/4	53/53 1/4
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December	50 1/2	50/50
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July	53 1/4/53 1/4	52 1/4/52 1/4

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	December	00/80
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July	63 1/4/63 1/4	62 1/4/62 1/4

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 12 NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21220).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,
C. R. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1938.



VOLUNTEERS' ELEVEN

The following will represent the Hongkong Volunteers against the Craigengower C.C. in a cricket match on Sunday on the latter's ground, commencing at 11 a.m.:

A. C. Beck (Capt.), K. M. Baxter, F. A. Dunnell, E. C. Fletcher, R. H. Grimthwaite, R. M. King, W. L. McKenzie, D. C. Parsons, A. E. Perry, P.M.N. da Silva and A.M.L. Soares.

BASEBALL INNOVATION

New York, Dec. 14. The National Baseball League have voted for the use of the yellow ball, provided both teams agree. It is believed that the ball will not be useable only in the event of there being masses of white shirts in the bleachers, preventing the batters from seeing the ball.—United Press.

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Kensuke Horinouchi and his wife are shown in Tokyo as they arrived in Washington, where Mr. Horinouchi has taken up his duties as the new Ambassador to the United States. He succeeds Hiroshi Satō, ill for several months, who was recalled to Japan.

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Mr. John Henry Mark Fane, formerly 2nd lieutenant in the Green Howards, is working as a waiter in the Berkeley Hotel, Mayfair, earning 7s. a week and tips.

Twenty-one years of age, he decided a few weeks ago that he would prefer a business life. He discussed the question with his mother, the Hon. Mrs. H. N. Fane.

"She suggested I should go into hotel work," said Mr. Fane, "and next day I went round to the Quo Vadis Restaurant in Dean-street, and Leon, proprietor of the Quo Vadis, said."

"After two months he went to the Berkeley. Every other morning he goes to work at 9.30, and he and a young Italian, Lino Badini, wash up 750 plates and carry them from the scullery to the restaurant.

Then, from 12.30 until 3 p.m., Mr. Fane waits at table with a

white apron over his dress suit and a napkin tucked under his left arm.

He has a break until 6 p.m., then goes on duty again until 2 in the morning—a 13½-hour day.

'HE IS WILLING'

On alternate days his hours are noon till 6, and 7 till 10. He has every other Saturday and every other Sunday off, and on the Sundays when he works he has the afternoon off.

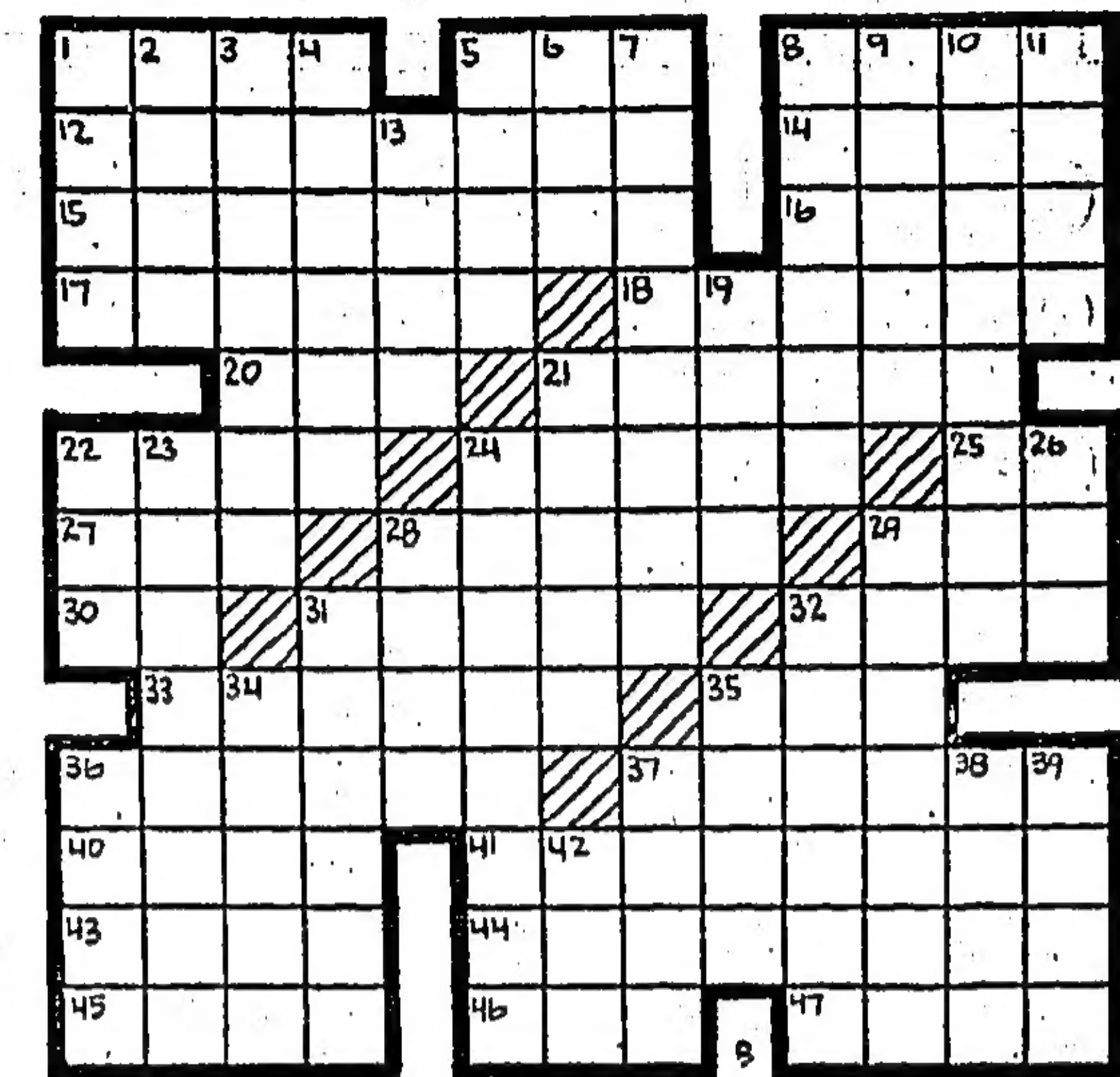
Leon, proprietor of the Quo Vadis, said:

"Mr. Fane said he wanted to go into the business seriously. He is a good waiter. He is willing, and he does not mind starting at the bottom. He will be a big hotel manager

Crossword Puzzle

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one day. He will go to Germany and

France and Italy later and learn the

business there—and the languages.

That will be necessary to him."

One of Mr. Fane's first customers

was his grandfather, Lord Clinton,

a Privy Councillor and Keeper of

the Privy Seal to the Prince of

Wales from 1813 to 1833.

'A DECENT TIP'

"I think grandfather rather en-

joyed it," Mr. Fane said. "He knew,

of course, what I was doing—the

whole family knew. Anyway, he

didn't make any complaints, and he

gave me a tip afterwards—quite a

decent one.

"When I've served my time as a

waiter I shall go into the kitchen.

Then I expect I'll go into the office

to learn control, and I shall also

have to be a receptionist.

"It will probably be seven years

before I am qualified to become a

manager."

Mr. Fane's mother is a daughter

of Lord Clinton. Her sister Fenella

married in 1914 the Hon. John Her-

bert Bowes-Lyon, second son of the

fourteenth Earl of Strathmore, and

brother of the Queen.



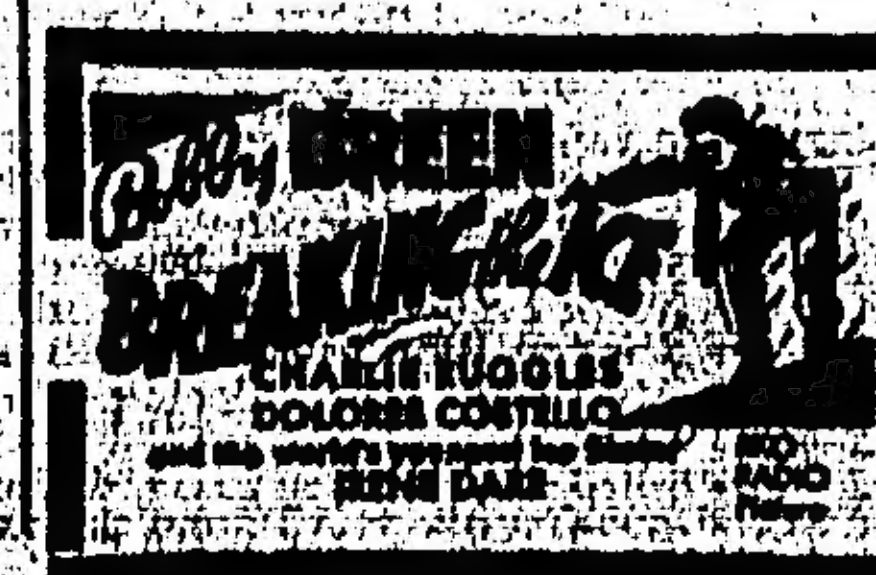
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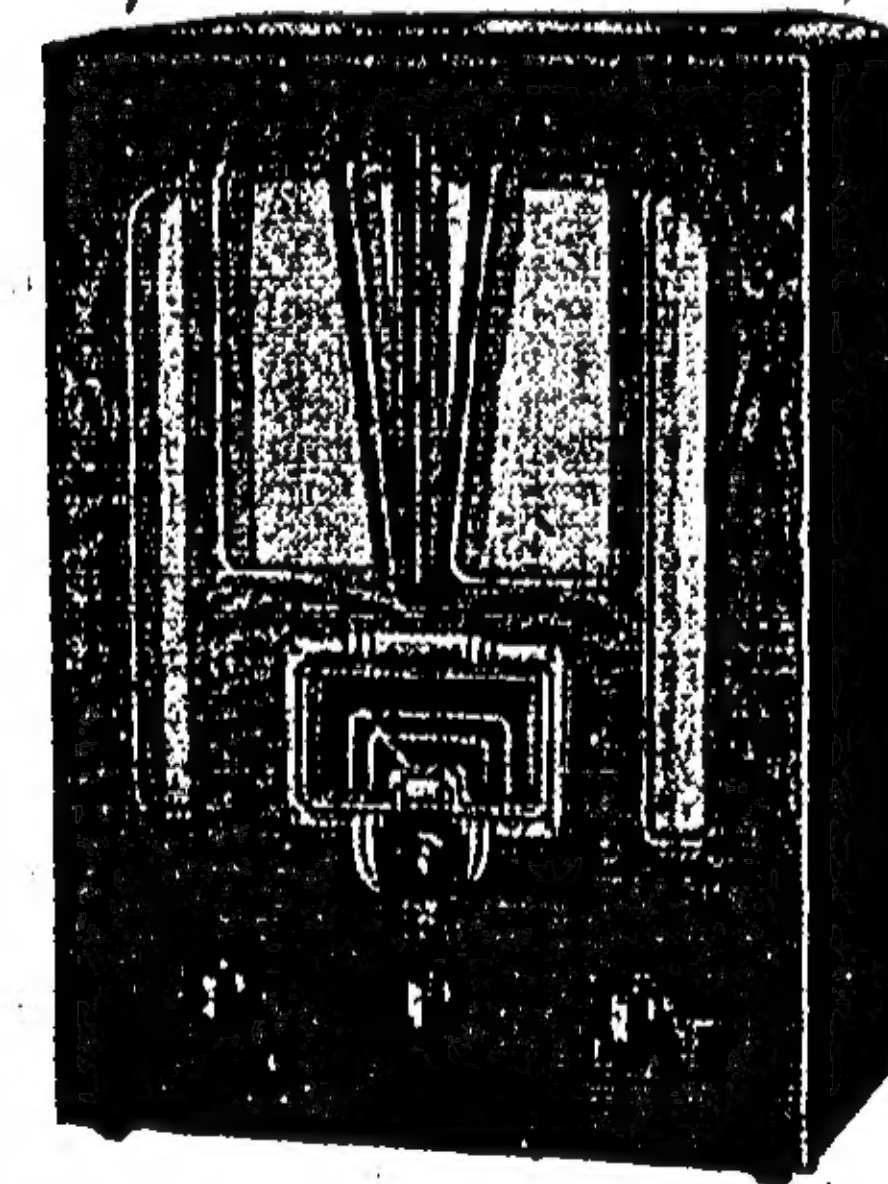
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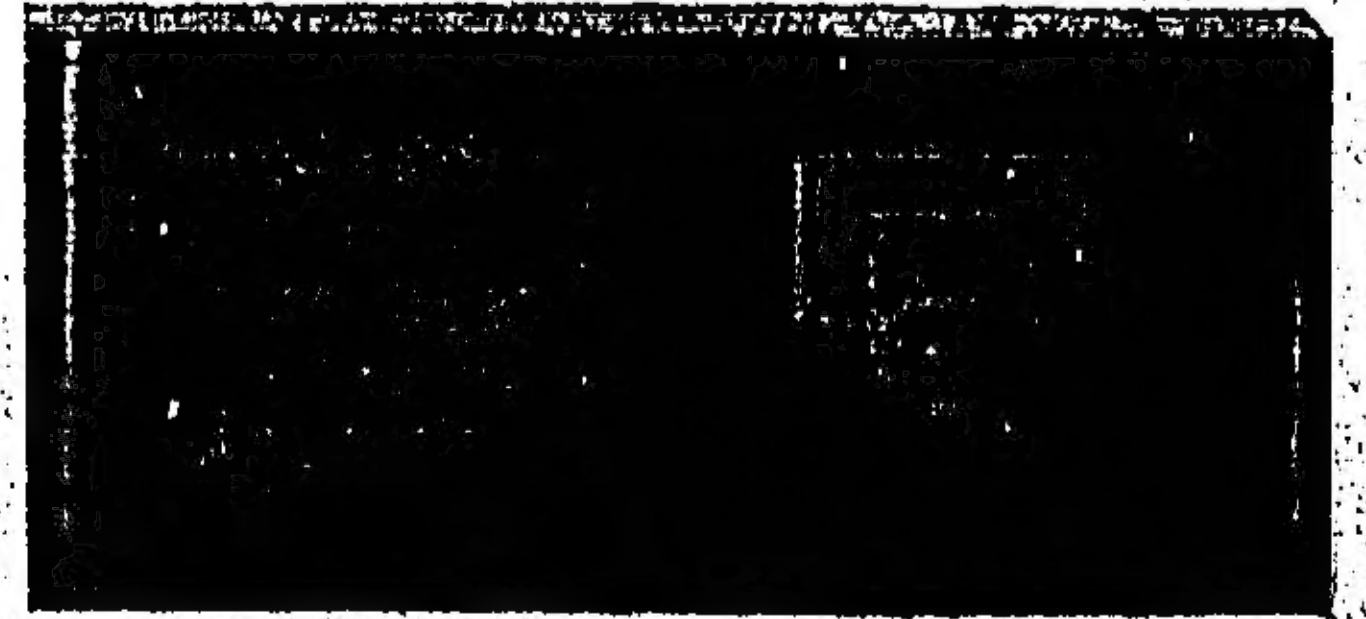


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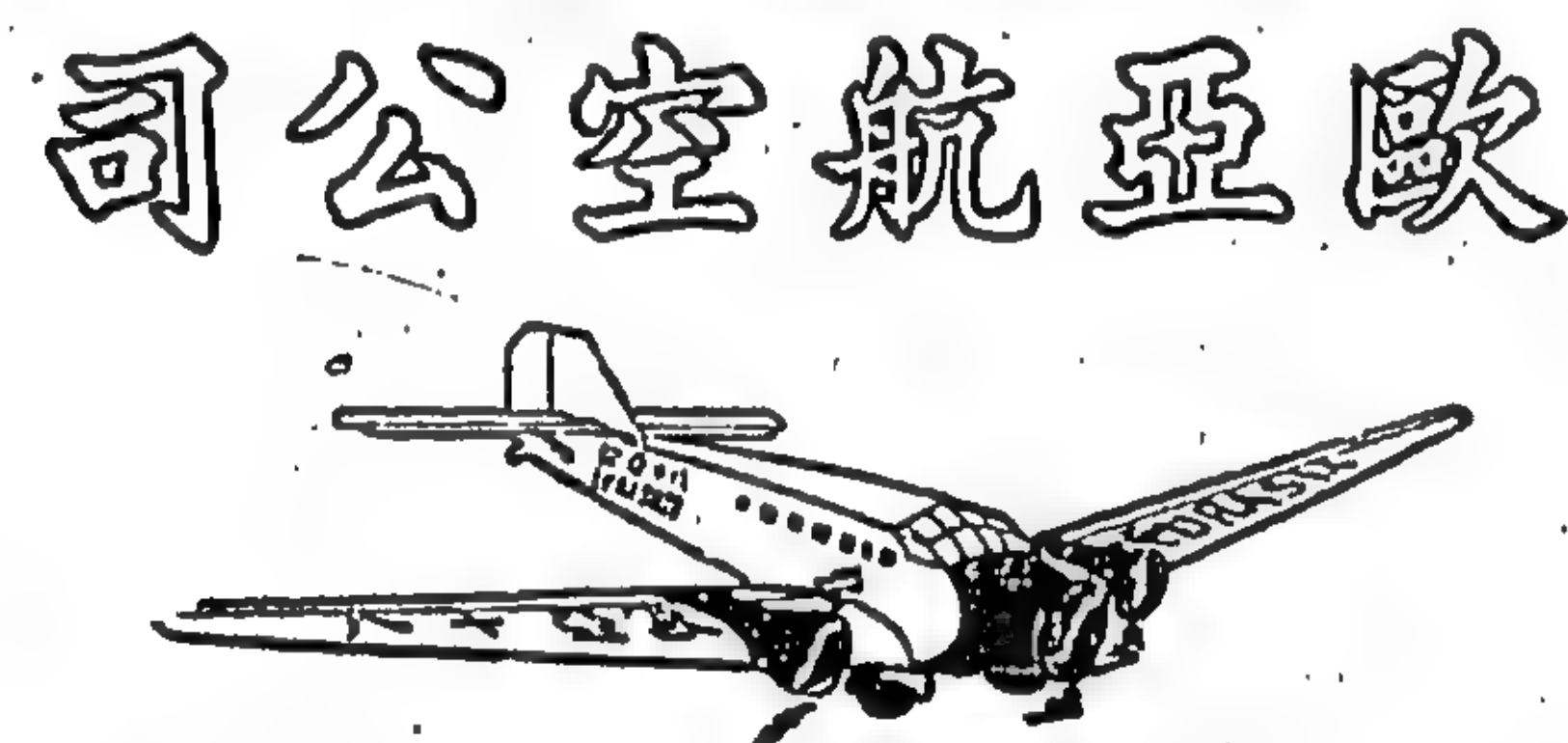
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Arrogant and meering, at left is Robert Irwin, confessed slayer of Veronica Gideon, artist's model, and two others, as he arrived in court in New York to stand trial for the murder of Frank Byrnes.

GIRL PLEADS FOR EXILED FIANCÉ

A pretty brunette, secretary to a major living in the West End, pleaded with Mr. L. R. Runne, the Marylebone magistrate, not to send to prison a young Russian exile whom she was anxious to marry.

Her plea failed.

Mr. Dunne said that the exile, Nicholas Sideroff, 23, member of a once wealthy Russian family, had "a spoiled past," and sent him to prison for two months for contravening the Aliens Order by landing without permission.

Detective-Sergeant Bray said that as the result of his inquiries Paris had notified Scotland Yard that Sideroff had five previous convictions, including a sentence of 15 months in Paris on February 3, 1936, for stealing and infraction of a decree of expulsion.

"GAMBLER"

His inquiries in London showed no redeeming feature in Sideroff's general character.

Mr. Dunne said he understood that the only criticism of Sideroff's character was that he was a gambler.

Sergeant Bray alleged that when Sideroff's mother was interviewed at her home in the South of France, she had replied: "I have no son named Nicholas."

Mr. Griffith Jones, defending, said that Sideroff had knowledge of only two convictions in France.

"In 1932, after completing his schooling in France," said Mr. Jones, "Sideroff found himself without money."

"He stowed himself away in a ship and got to America."

"He was sent back, and that was probably how one of the other convictions occurred. He also stowed away on a later occasion for the same reason."

In 1933, he went to Russia to try to find his father and in the forlorn hope that there was something of the family possessions left there.

His League of Nations passport was retained by the authorities and

he escaped from the country after three vain attempts.

Arriving back in France after considerable hardship, he found himself, at the age of 18 or 19, completely destitute.

In August, 1936, he met Miss Stella Edith Clive and fell in love with her. Her employer, Major Gilliam, of Seymour Street, W., was prepared to give Sideroff a job so that they could marry.

Mr. Griffith Jones said that Sideroff's mother was anxious to lend her son every assistance.

Miss Clive then came forward and said she was anxious to marry Sideroff as soon as this matter was over. They could not have the wedding until his identity was established.

Mr. Dunne, passing sentence, said Sideroff could not be dealt with as a person with an unblemished reputation. He hoped that Major Gilliam would employ Sideroff on his release.

Must Not Play The "Lambeth Walk"

Billy Thorburn, who with his band was at a London theatre recently, has been stopped from playing the "Lambeth Walk."

"I feel rather sore about it because I first put it on the air and made it popular," Billy said.

"I have had a solicitor's letter warning me not to play it, although when I phoned the publishers they said I could carry on with it. The Performing Rights Society also said I could, but in view of the legal step the theatre authorities consider it ought to be dropped."

Lupino Lane, star and promoter of the "Me and My Girl" show, said: "There is nothing at all to prevent dance bands playing the 'Lambeth Walk' as long as they don't make a stage act of it."

"BETTER DIET, NOT BIRTH CONTROL, INDIA'S NEED"

Poona. The resolution was defeated by 40 votes to 10. Moved by Mr. P. J. Roham, the resolution which urged the Government to carry on propaganda in favour of birth control and to provide facilities for its practice, invoked an interesting debate.

Mr. Jammadas Mchta supported the resolution on economic grounds and stated that continence was an ideal, which could not be reached by all human beings.

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CHINESE PAPERS

Cristian Journal Suspends Issue

One of Hongkong's oldest Chinese dailies, the Tai Kwong Post, which was established in 1912, announced in its edition yesterday its intention to suspend publication for the time being. The Tai Kwong Post was published for many years at its office in Kau Yu Fong, and in 1934 was forced to stop business for a short time.

With the support of a number of Chinese Christians, the paper was reorganised and resumed publication under the name of Tai Kwong Post Newspaper & Printing Co. (1934) Ltd. It is well known also that this paper has had the support of Chinese Christians in Hongkong owing to its pro-Christian policy.

After its reorganisation in 1934, the paper established its new office at Nos. 1 to 5 Lee Yuen Street and the paper was published in the same address. The publisher is Mr. Wong Shu-kong.

In its last issue yesterday, the Tai Kwong Post said that its suspension was principally due to the complete interruption of trade in South China since the outbreak of hostilities.

The Japanese invasion of Kwangtung has robbed the paper of its biggest field of circulation, namely Canton and other Kwangtung cities. The announcement adds that an endeavour will be made to resume publication in the near future, as soon as circumstances permit.

While the Japanese occupation of Canton must have seriously affected many Hongkong Chinese newspapers, which have to depend on Canton for circulation, it is commonly known that competition among Chinese newspapers at the moment is keen. This latter factor is due to the recent opening in the Colony of a few of China's leading journals, which were forced to suspend their issues in Shanghai, Hankow or Canton.

Formerly nearly all Chinese dailies were sold at five cents per issue; competition to-day has reduced the price in the case of some new papers to one or two cents.

Counting all the dailies and the "mosquito," press Hongkong has now well over 30 papers, many appearing after the Sino-Japanese war began to meet the public demand for news.

AWARDS PRESENTED

School of Accountancy And Commerce

At the Peninsula Hotel yesterday, the 4th supper dance and presentation of awards of the School of Accountancy and Commerce was held.

After the presentation of awards by Mr. F. B. da Silva, a light supper was served and dancing which started in the evening lasted to the early hours of the morning.

Mr. Lim Tai-sim was awarded a gold medal from the International Institute of Accountants, Australia. Messrs. W. Benedetto, Fang Tsu-chok and C. M. Sequeira were the winners of bronze medals from the Faculty of Secretaries. Besides those who received medals, 130 students were awarded diplomas.

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CARNIVAL DANCE

The Central British Association have arranged a Masquerade Carnival Dance for to-night at the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

Although no cabaret items have been arranged, the function promises to be a gay one, since there will be several novelty numbers, including a Spot Dance and a Waltz Competition. Mr. George Goncharoff, the prominent local dancing master, will be the chief judge of the latter item. For these two numbers prizes will be presented, as well as for the best lady's and best gentleman's costume, and the most original lady's and gentleman's costume.

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What Do You Know About Disinfectants?

TO be sure that a household disinfectant has been applied in such a way that best use is made of its properties, a few precautions should be taken, the chief one being to make certain that the disinfectant is brought into close contact with what is being disinfected. Do not, for instance, stand a saucer of liquid in the corner of a room, but distribute it by means of a spray, so that it reaches the germ-laden dust particles floating in the air. It is most difficult to disinfect a brush because the liquid does not always penetrate into the bristles where they are set into the back. The surest way is to leave the brush in a large biscuit tin with a close-fitting lid in company with a saucer containing a little formalin. The gas from the latter readily penetrates the bristle clumps. Don't Forget Heat and Sunlight.

Heat is a handy household disinfectant that often is not brought into contact with what is to be disinfected because it penetrates common household materials very slowly. It is almost useless to try to disinfect home fabrics by baking them in the oven; the only satisfactory way is to boil them. Half an hour's boiling will thoroughly sterilise fabrics.

Sunlight is a cheap disinfectant that is not used enough as such in the home. It is well worth while taking the trouble to hang sheets and handkerchiefs out to dry in the sunlight.

One or two disinfectants, particularly tincture of iodine, become stronger as the spirit in them evaporates, and unless this is remembered the disinfectant may be used wastefully, or even cause damage; for example, old tincture of iodine may cause irritation of the skin. Always buy disinfectants in small quantities sufficient to meet immediate needs.

Finally, when disinfecting a bedroom after an infectious illness, remember that 90 per cent. of the infection is centred in the dust. Wash the floors with a carbolic soap, spray the walls, and leave doors and windows wide open all the time to blow away the dust that is raised.

J. J. Sanford

HOME HINTS

STALE scones can be freshened by dipping them in milk and placing them in a hot oven for about ten minutes on a greased tin. Don't soak them in the milk, just dip them in quickly, or they will become soggy.

To prevent mustard from going dry, make it up with a level teaspoon of salt to two tablespoons of dry mustard, and it will keep fresh for a considerable time.

Don't throw away used coffee grounds; pile them into the drain of your sink and pour boiling water over them. They will clear and disinfect the drain.

If you have egg yolks left over, cover them with cold water, and they will keep fresh for several days.

To keep a fruit cake fresh and moist keep an apple or a slice of very fresh bread in the tin beside it. Bread is best as apple is inclined to flavour the cake.

Soft white bread crumbs remove marks from boots more easily than rubber will.

A long-handled typewriter brush is invaluable in the house for dusting ornaments, the tops of books, or anything with awkward corners.

To make flowers last longer, in these days when flowers are scarce, remove them every evening from rooms where fires are burning.

B. A. C.

SMART HEADLINES

PEACH velvet is the new in millinery this season—it looks very like a soft velvet.

Hair up! So hat designers add a comb to the tricorn which secures it firmly to the head.

No damp will bring out the curl of these feathers—they are made of clipped velvet in two shades of the popular fuchsia.

Gold metal flowers, insects and birds in coloured enamels and broad short quills are among the newest trimmings.

The ostrich, though he may put his head in the sands, proudly lends his plumes for hats this season in true Edwardian style.

Veils bunch at the side or at the back—they are mainly for show, not use, this winter.

Fashion puts on the BLACK HAT

By Mary Grace

NOTHING changes so quickly as millinery, both as regards style and colour. After the arty blues and rich vintage wine shades of the early autumn, fashion has sobered down and put on the black-hat.

A popular fashion and smart, too, especially with the swept-up coiffures.

Hats soar upwards to reveal the hair both at sides and back. This must have a beautifully tidy air if your head is to have that well-groomed look in keeping with the new elegance in the winter season's hats.

An easy favourite is the black tricorn. It suits practically everyone. But be careful to place it on your head according to the shape of your face.

No extreme angle if your forehead is inclined to width; with small piquant features perch it well forward; the oval-shaped face needs to get the full benefit of the width.

The woman with a tiny head has been really looked after this year. The trimming of clipped velvet is almost of doll-like proportions. It is so easy if you have a small face to be completely overwhelmed by a hat, especially if it is of felt.

Capricious is the only word for these little hats, and you can afford to trim up your millinery with pretty little imitation ostrich feathers which are in the shops just now in great variety, priced at a shilling or so.

For the girl who wants a hat to wear, day in, day out, my advice is—turn your back on such frivolities as veils and feathers; they need constant care and attention, and a shower of rain will ruin them in a minute.

Choose a hat like the third felt shape with its velvet ribbons and novelty silvered cork motifs on knitting needles. It is the originality of the trimming that will give your hat its fashion value.

For Your Dressing Table

IF you have an old-fashioned revolving piano stool in the lumber room, now is the time to fish it out and make it your own. It will prove to be a most suitable and useful dressing stool owing to its adjustable height. It will enable you to twist easily from side to side without moving from your seat or almost dislocating your neck in order to regard, from every point of view, the result of your labours on your face and hair, or the most captivating angle of your hat, and it takes up very little room.

Nimble fingers will make short work of a petticoat to hide its Victorian limbs. A circle of chinl—damask on top, to match curtains or chair covers, with a full gathered frill just touching the floor when the stool is wound down to its lowest level will bring it into line with most modern bedroom furnishings, while in no way interfering with the simple mechanism.

If such a stool is not to be found in your attic, one can be bought quite cheaply, and it is really a good investment.

A. M. S.

Salt and pepper Crumbs

Mix the mashed potatoes (left-overs may be used), the turkey, onion and seasonings. Mix in enough milk to moisten and beat well. Mold into balls or patties, roll in dry crumbs and fry in butter. Serve hot.

JELLIED TURKEY LOAF

2 cups diced turkey
2 packages salad aspic
3½ cups stock from turkey bones
½ cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon grated onion
2 cups diced celery
3 hard-cooked eggs
1 tablespoon salt
2 tablespoons pimento

Melt the aspic in 2 cups hot stock, add 1½ cups cold stock and the mayonnaise. Add the seasoning, meat and vegetables, place in the refrigerator to chill, stirring occasionally until it begins to thicken. Arrange the slices of egg in a wet loaf pan to garnish, turn in the turkey mixture and chill until firm. Unmold on a platter and garnish with ripe olives in celery cups and molds of left-over cranberry jelly or currant jelly.

DOUGHNUT PUDDING

3 eggs
2 tablespoons melted butter
½ cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 quart milk
3½ cups sliced dried out doughnuts

If you have doughnuts left over from your holiday feasts, convert them into this tempting variety of old-fashioned "bread" pudding. Melt the butter and combine with the beaten eggs, the sugar, a few grains salt, vanilla and milk. Put the sliced doughnuts in a buttered casserole and pour in the milk and egg mixture. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg and bake in a slow oven about 1½ hours. Serve warm or cold with whipped cream. This makes 6 to 8 servings.



Toy tricorn of peach velvet trimmed with a tulle veil which is tied in a huge bow high at the back.



Clipped velvet feather in two shades of velvet droops gracefully over a shovel-shaped, tip-tilted felt hat.

Silvered cork motifs on knitting needles are crossed on a flat round felt shape tied with long velvet ribbons.

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Turkey Cutlets for Christmas

Cold Turkey With Cream Is Good Too

POAST turkey has been in order for Christmas as long as can be remembered. But once the holiday is over, however, we can experiment with the remains of the feast. Do as the native cooks in far-off Hawaii do—serve your left-over turkey as a new dish combined with rice cooked in pineapple juice and made into cutlets.

Here are other tips on how to use the remains of the turkey:

TURKEY IN CREAM

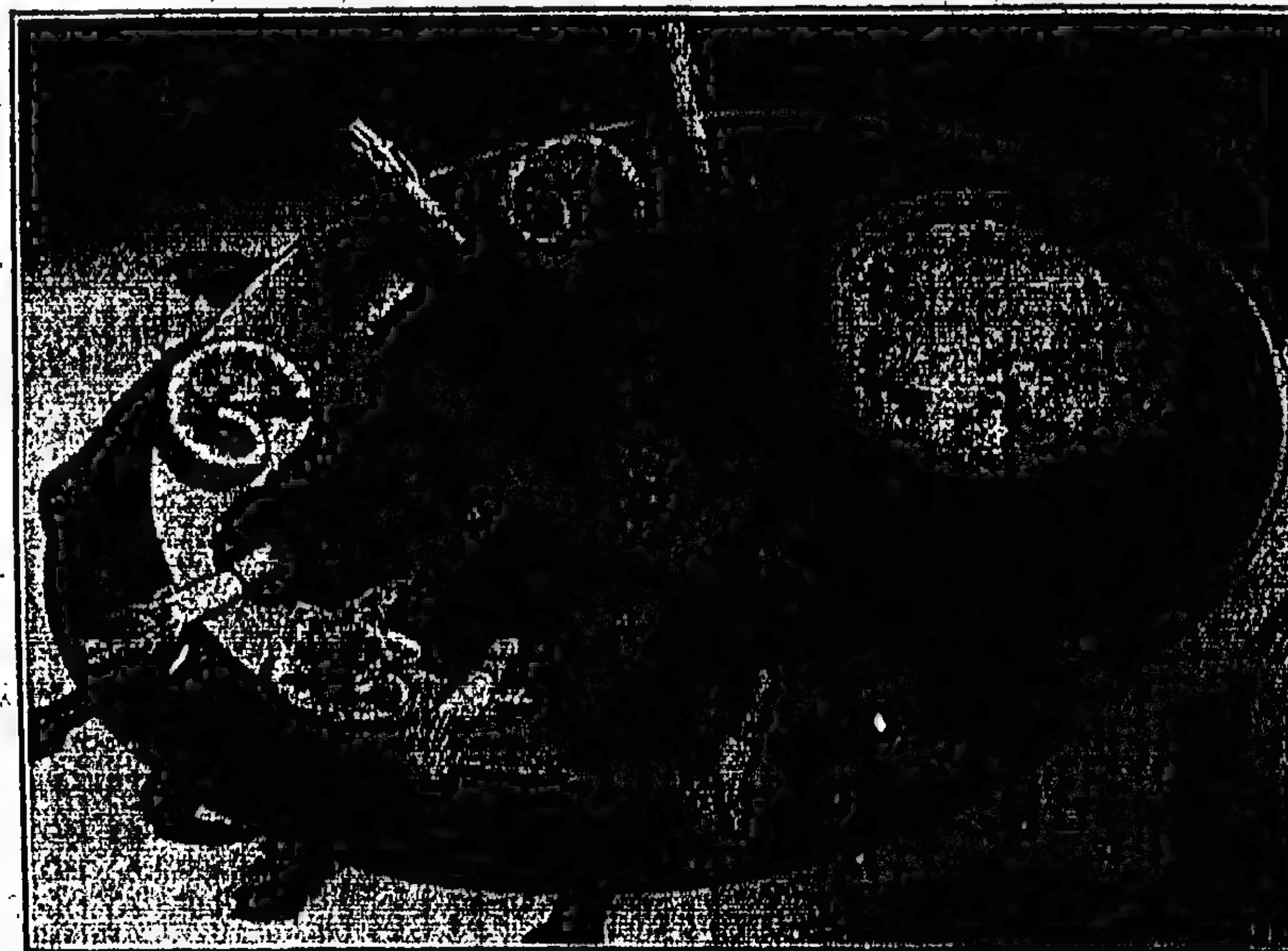
Sliced cold turkey
2 tablespoons butter
¼ small onion, thinly sliced
1 cup rich cream
1 teaspoon grated horseradish
Salt, pepper and paprika to taste

Toast

Put turkey into the saucepan in which the onion and 1 teaspoon minced parsley are simmering in the butter. Simmer until the turkey is well heated, then add the cream and let bubble rapidly for several minutes. Add the seasonings and serve at once with portions of crisp buttered toast as a garnish.

TURKEY FATTIES

2½ cups mashed potatoes
2 cups chopped turkey meat
1 finely minced onion, sautéed in 2 tablespoons butter



Your Christmas turkey will furnish another good dinner if you use the recipe for turkey cutlets. Wash 1 cup rice. Heat 3½ cups unsweetened pineapple juice, 4 tablespoons butter and 1 small grated onion to the boiling point, stir in rice and cook until rice is tender and liquid absorbed. Stir in ½ cup grated cheese, 2 cups chopped turkey, salt and pepper to taste. Form into patties, roll in crumbs, dip in egg then in crumbs. Fry in deep fat until golden brown. Serve with cream sauce into which minced parsley, chopped green pepper or chives and a hard-cooked egg have been stirred.

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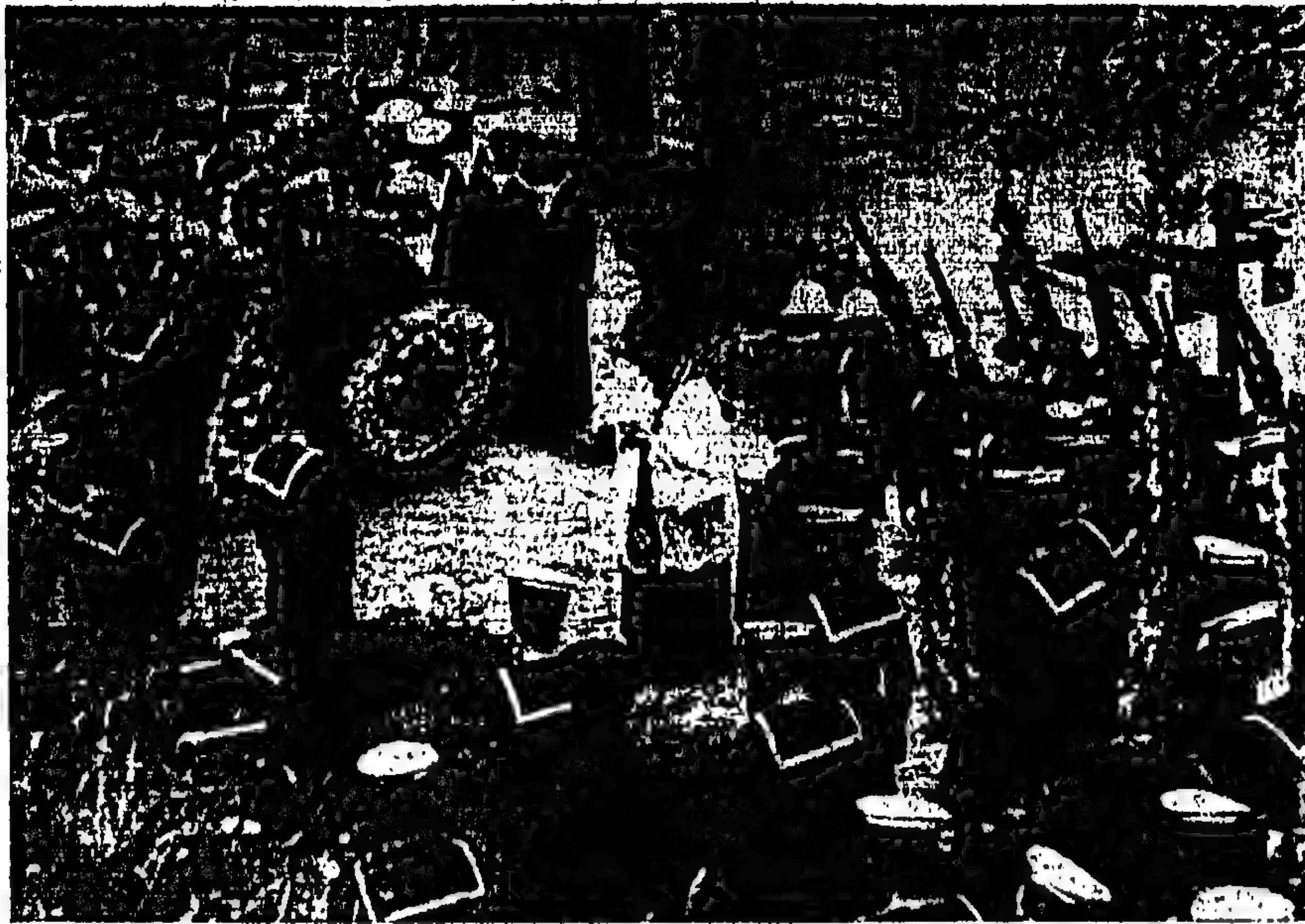
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Helpers in the refugee camp at Yaumati hand out congee for meals.—Yuen Chun Studios.



A scene of activity taken during the week-end races held by the Hongkong Yacht Club.—Staff Photographer.



Participants in the Fanling Hunt which took place last week-end meet after the event.—Staff Photographer.

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AFTERNOON WEDDING

Chinese Couple United At Registry

The wedding took place at yesterday at the Registry between Mr. Lim Cheuk-phong (Charles), and Miss Lo Sau-yung (Sue).

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lo In-shun and was a student of the Great China University, Shanghai. Before going to Shanghai she studied at the Bellows Girls' School, Hongkong.

Wearing a charming gown of white satin trimmed with Chantilly lace, and carrying a bouquet of white roses, the bride arrived on the arm of her father, by whom she was given away in marriage.

The bride was attended by Miss Lillian June, as bridesmaid, and the Misses Janet Kowk and Rosaline Fung as flower-girls. Master George Lim acted as page-boy.

The bridegroom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Lim Mun-honk, and graduated from the Sun Yat-sen University, Canton. He was attended by Mr. Lo Koon-tak as best man.

Later a reception was held at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Mr. T. J. Gould officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. R. J. Ribeiro and Poon To-long.

EMPIRE NEWS

NEW ZEALAND TO PRODUCE MORE

AUCKLAND.

Mr. M. J. Savage, the Prime Minister, announced recently that he was usually engaged in planning an increase in production.

A Committee of the Cabinet was investigating the possibility of developing existing agricultural and manufacturing industries and establishing new ones.

The Prime Minister said the Government fully realised that to turn a handle and produce money without at the same time producing goods was not the way to prosperity. He reiterated New Zealand's intention of always meeting overseas liabilities.

The Government would see that the people of New Zealand did not go hungry in the midst of plenty. Any changes necessary would be comparatively easy. No great social revolution was needed.

INDIA

KARACHI TO HAVE AIR RALLY

CALCUTTA.

An all-India and Burma competitive air rally was held at Karachi recently in place of the usual Viceroy's air race.

The Governor of Sind, Sir Lancelot Graham, will open the administrative building of the Karachi airport.

LA-COL. Schomberg.—The French President has approved of the reappointment of Lt-Col. R. C. Schomberg as the British Consul-General for the French establishments in India. Lt-Col. Schomberg's previous appointment as Consul-General at Pondicherry terminated in May last year.

Bishop of Tinnevely.—The Rev. Stephen Charles Neill, formerly Warden of the Bishop's Theological Seminary, Nazareth, Tinnevely, Madras, has been confirmed Bishop of Tinnevely in succession to the Rt. Rev. Frederick Western.

ALL TOLD TO QUIT

Whole Village Is Being Sold

The entire population of Mynydd Llandegall, a North Wales village, was recently given notice to quit by its landlord, Lord Penrhyn.

A legal notice was served on every one of the quiet, dark farm folk, and the whole village will be put under the auctioneer's hammer.

"It is intended to give the tenants the first opportunity to purchase their homes," a letter from a firm of Bangor auctioneers said.

"If, therefore, you wish to avail yourself of this offer, I shall be glad if you will call at my office on Monday, the 21st instant, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 7 p.m."

NEARLY 300 OF THEM

Copies of this letter fell on the scrubbed stone kitchen floors at the back of letter-boxes in every house and farm of the village, which has between 200 and 300 inhabitants.

Many fear that land and houses occupied by the same families for generations may be delivered by a crack of the auctioneer's hammer into the hands of property development companies.

An emergency meeting was called by the village.

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LATE NEWS

Cabinet Re-Shuffle Predicted

London, Dec. 15.

A reshuffle in the British Cabinet at the beginning of next year, is predicted by the "Star".

The changes, it is said, will primarily affect the Ministry for the Co-ordination of Defence, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Lord Chancellorship.

Lord Maugham, the present Lord Chancellor, is believed to have asked the Prime Minister to relieve him of the post.

Growing opposition of the British farmers to the policy pursued by the present Minister for Agriculture, Mr. William Morrison, is said to have induced Mr. Chamberlain to consider the possibility of choosing a new man for this post.

The same source claims to have information to the effect that the post of Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, now held by Sir Thomas Inskip, will be abolished altogether.

There is also the likelihood, adds the paper, that Lord Winterton, who is at present collaborating with Sir John Anderson in organising civil air defence throughout the country, will shortly leave the Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

LORD STANLEY'S

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Lord Stanley, Dominions Secretary, died on October 18, left estate, so far as can at present be ascertained, of £1,428,000.

Duty of £335,448 has been paid.

Lord Stanley bequeathed £25,000 and his effects to his wife, his London house to her for life or £15,000 to purchase another residence, and the Holwood Estate, near Bromley, Kent, to her for life and £2,000 per annum to his trustees for the upkeep during her lifetime.

Subject to other legacies the residue was left upon trust for his eldest son, the Hon. Edward John Stanley, for life.

Before her marriage in 1917 Lady Stanley, who is 48, was the Hon. Sibyl Louise Beatrix Cadogan, eldest daughter of the late Viscount Chelsea, second son of the 5th Earl Cadogan.

CHILDREN FOR U.S.

Hundred To Make Educational Trip Next Summer

About 100 London school children are to visit the United States and Canada next summer.

The trip is being organized by the School Journey Association, an organization that has existed in London for many years to promote visits by children to places of interest. The hon. secretary, to whom the success of the organization is largely due, is a London schoolmaster, Mr. H. Barter, whose school is at Peckham Rye.

He is going across the Atlantic to arrange details in a week's time, and it may easily be that a return journey of American children will be the result, for one of Mr. Barter's objects between the youth of the nations.

The journey has been made possible through special terms granted by the Cunard-White Star Company. Each of the boys will pay £18 for the return voyage including food.

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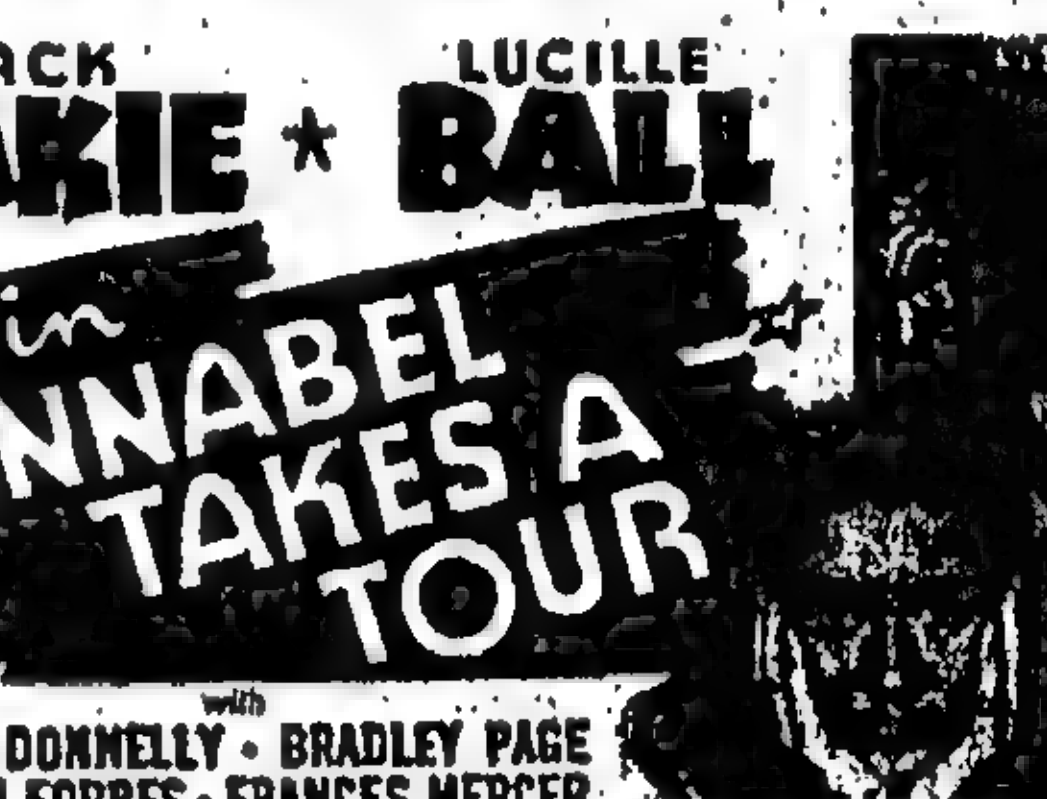
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Willoughby, O.

A radish half white and half red was found by Mrs. Helen Pasmow in her garden. Mrs. Pasmow cannot explain the origin of the freak vegetable except that she planted one row of white radishes and another row of red.

Coin Flip Elects Constable

CLARKSBURG.

When Ralph Plyman and Joseph Mello each received 228 votes for constable, the Chairman of the election into his own hands, flipped a dollar and awarded the election to Plyman on the turning up of "tails."

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AMBULANCE WORK

Many More Medical Cases In New Territories

The influx of refugees into the Colony has increased the work of the clinics of the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch, the return of now and old cases treated during the month of November amounting to 18,184. There were 8,906 new cases.

Maternity cases showed an abnormal increase, and to relieve the situation a number of patients were transferred from the various clinics to Tuen Wan, and others to the Ellis Bungalow at Fanling. Cases of this type treated at the clinics in Cheung Chau, Shataukok, Tuen Mun, Fanling, Kam Tin, Tuen Wan, Ha Tuen, Takooling and Shatin, totalled 105.

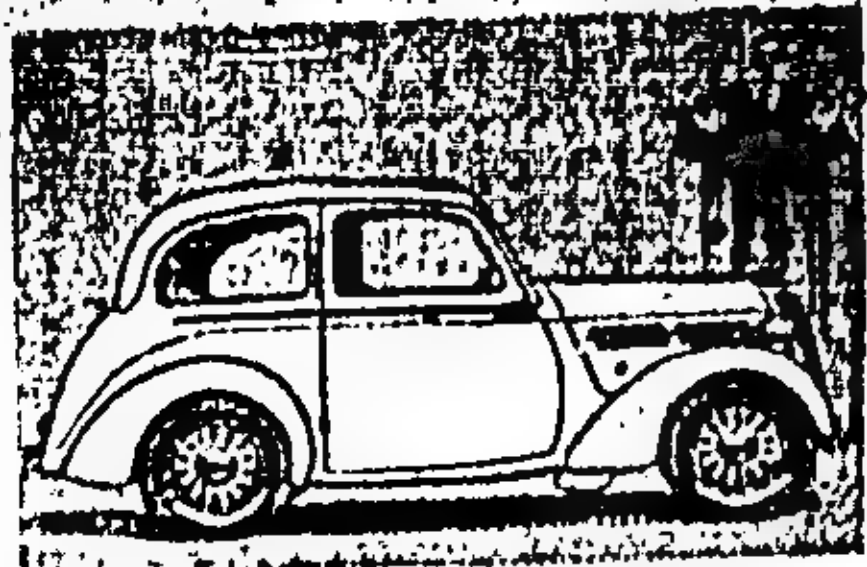
Malaria was the principal illness treated at Tuen Wan. 713 people having been attended for this malady at the clinic. There were 149 similar cases at Kam Tin.

The number of infants and adults admitted to hospital amounted to 172, and 1,800 patients were seen by doctors. Over 250 sick people were visited in their homes, and vaccination during the month totalled 744.

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JAPAN FACING COMMUNISM IF FAILS IN WAR

LONDON, Dec. 15.

IF JAPAN PUSHES the war in China and still fails, the reaction which "dogs the steps of all extremes" will produce a "Red" Japan.

If Italy pushes her Mediterranean ambitions too far, her foreign policy will fail her industrial, commercial and financial sections, and the setback may easily create an anti-Fascist revolution.

These opinions were expressed in an editorial to-day by the "Birmingham Post."

The newspaper asks how far aggression pays the ordinary man even in aggressor nations.

Jockey Club Defence In Action For Libel

THE CASE for the Jockey Club, defendants in the libel action brought by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, was opened by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. this morning before a special jury.

Plaintiff's case was concluded yesterday.

Mr. Brayfield claims unlimited damages for being posted at the Club as a defaulter in respect of an account for \$9.10 for excess fodder for his ponies Salvage Master and Shipmaster.

Mr. Potter said this morning that plaintiff was unreasonable and obstructive throughout and if he had done the reasonable thing nine months ago, the matter might easily have been cleared up then.

The jury comprised Messrs. J. Fleming (Foreman), R. M. McEay, C. Champkin, T. B. Wilson, L. Yuk-lung, I. H. Goss and L. Dunbar.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Shildon, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Munster, appeared for the Jockey Club.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, represented Mr. Brayfield.

In opening the case for the defence, Mr. Potter said five or six witnesses would be called for the Jockey Club.

He said: "I propose to discuss the policy and conduct of the Jockey Club since they have a very relative bearing on the issue."

"The Club is an institution which gives a great deal of pleasure and recreation—and possibly some profit—to a great number of people of all nationalities."

"It is in no sense a profit-making concern. It is a very old institution and has been a single penny of profit be distributed to members."

"These profits are used to foster racing and subsidizing very largely to charity. It is true that the Club is a company incorporated in law but that is merely for the purpose of legal convenience. It is really an association of people who either race or are interested in racing."

"As you know, the Club is governed and controlled and, to a great extent, managed, by local gentlemen who faithfully give their time and services."

"Their one job, I submit, is to see that the Club is carried on in the best interests of the members."

OBSTRUCTIVE CONDUCT

"I submit that they are at least entitled to expect the loyal co-operation and help of their fellow members and not to expect obstructive and unreasonable conduct which can do no good to anyone and may do infinite harm."

"I shall state as firmly and strongly as I can—and I hope in no exaggerated language—that the conduct of the plaintiff in respect of this matter has fallen far below the standard which the Stewards and the members can reasonably require."

"In that regard I would remind you at the outset that Mr. Brayfield's letter of March 19 said 'I decline

to pay until substantial proof is made to me that my ponies consumed this excess fodder."

"He admits that the only substantial proof that can be produced is the statement of his own trainer which, to my mind, puts an end to this case for all practical purposes."

UNHAPPY MISTAKE

"When that letter was written he knew that the only substantial proof could be afforded by the trainer and he writes later 'That in my opinion, is not substantial proof.'"

"Why did he not, as a reasonable man who owed a debt to the Jockey Club and especially in his capacity as an owner-member, go to the Jockey Club and say, 'Gentlemen, I have been supplying my ponies with special extra feed provided by myself and there cannot be any more excess fodder.'"

"Would not that be the reasonable attitude? Is it not an extraordinary thing that that vital fact which could have been investigated in his breast as far as the plaintiff is concerned until he came to Court?"

"If he had said that at the time, it could have been investigated then when it would have been much easier than nine months later. Plaintiff might well have been able to prove his point to your satisfaction then."

"He might have said to the trainer: 'You know I have been giving this extra feed, why did you give this extra fodder?' but he did nothing at all."

League For The Two Americas

LIMA, Dec. 15.

AN AMERICAN League of Nations, supported by a system of moral, instead of economic or military sanctions, was proposed at the Pan-American Conference to-day by delegates of Colombia and Santo Domingo.

Pleading urgency, Sen. Lopez Domestica, Colombia's Foreign Minister, said that they had "never heard such unmistakably imperialistic words as were now coming from Europe."

Reuter.

Canada's Position In War Involving Britain

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.

A RESOLUTION seeking to clarify Canada's position in the event of Britain becoming involved in war, will be introduced by Mr. J. S. Woodsworth, leader of the Co-Operative Commonwealth Party (which is Socialistically inclined) when Parliament reassembles in January.

The resolution reads: "That this Parliament hereby declares to other members of the Commonwealth and the world, that the power to make a declaration of war binding upon Canada, is vested solely in the Crown on the advice of the Canadian Ministers and calls upon the Government to introduce, in the present session, such legislation as may be necessary to give full effect and force to this declaration."

The resolution refers to legislation enacted in South Africa in 1934, which it says, gave the Government full internal control over exercise of the Royal prerogative on behalf of South Africa.—Reuter.

Japanese Sending 10,000 Soldiers

FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, THERE HAVE BEEN RUMOURS THAT ALL IS NOT WELL IN MANCHUKUO.

Rumours of discord between the Japanese and Manchukuo officials.... ever-increasing hordes of bandits.... fights between Japanese troops and irregulars.... mutiny of Manchukuo troops.

No official reports of discontent with the Japanese overlords ever come out of Manchukuo. One of the strictest censorships in the world is exercised there.

The foreigner is not allowed access to many parts of the country.

To-day comes increasing evidence that Japan is experiencing difficulties in Manchukuo that she will not admit.

Japanese troops, sorely needed in China, are being sent north. According to "Central News" over 10,000 Japanese troops have passed through Tientsin en route to Manchukuo during the past few days.

Much speculation has been aroused among foreign and Chinese circles in Tientsin regarding this abnormal movement of soldiers, the report continues.

Chinese guerrillas have been quick to take advantage of the denuding of the countryside of Japanese garrisons, and they have become increasingly active along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

A Japanese troop train was derailed near Chienchiang when it crashed over an embankment after guerrillas had removed the rails. Over a hundred Japanese soldiers were killed, the report states.

Cabinet Minister Resigns In U.S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.

The United States Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel C. Roper, has resigned, according to an announcement made to-day.—Trans-Ocean.



MR. T. H. G. BRAYFIELD.

NATIONAL REGISTER EXPLAINED

House Of Lords Debate

LONDON, Dec. 15.

Replying on behalf of the Government to a debate in the House of Lords on the National Register the Earl of Birkenhead said the register was being prepared in such a way that it could be quickly completed in an emergency without unduly disturbing industry.

All interests would be fully represented on local committees. It was intended that men engaged in key industries, who were skilled men, should not be taken from their occupations if that could be avoided.

Men who undertook to serve in national services such as fire brigades would certainly be retained in those services at least during the early stages of the emergency.

Giving figures with regard to A.R.P. the Earl of Birkenhead said that on October 31 last, the number of air raid wardens required was 420,000 men and 100,000 women.—British Wireless.

Japan's Parleys With Soviet Break Down

MOSCOW, Dec. 15.

A DEADLOCK has been reached in the negotiations for Japanese fishing rights in Soviet territorial waters, according to a semi-official report issued here, which states that negotiations had continued between M. Litvinoff and Mr. Togo, the Japanese Ambassador.

Mr. Togo asked whether, in the event of the Japanese Government considering favourably the question of overdue payment for the Chinese Eastern Railway, the Soviet Government would agree to sign without changes, the draft of the Fisheries Convention they had refused to approve in 1936-37.

M. Litvinoff replied in the negative.

Mr. Togo then stated that he was prepared to start negotiations on a temporary agreement for one year in conformity with the proposal made by the Soviet Government on November 25. M. Litvinoff agreed, but said

KIEL, Dec. 15.

GERMANY is to construct a new 35,000 ton battleship as the next addition to her navy.

The battleship Gneisenau, which was recently completed, and the Scharnhorst which is still under construction, have both a displacement of 26,000 tons, so that the new ship will be the largest in the German navy.

The construction programme includes also two light cruisers of 7,000 tons displacement and six additional cruisers totalling 35,400 tons.

The submarines construction programme includes 28 new units in addition to 43 submarines now completed and in service.—Trans-Ocean.

Britain, America Are Warned By China

SHANGHAI, Dec. 16.

GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK has warned Great Britain and the United States that unless something concrete is done towards assisting China, assistance will be sought elsewhere.

It is assumed that the Chinese leader means that China contemplates an appeal to Soviet Russia.

G.H.Q. STAFF CHANGES IN HONGKONG

LONDON, Dec. 15.

LIEUT.-COLONEL A. G. Neville of the Royal Artillery, and Lieut.-Colonel G. E. Grimdale of the Royal Engineers, have both been appointed G.S.O. 2 to British troops in China, replacing Colonel Irwin and Colonel Burkhardt on March 15, 1939 and March 21, 1939 respectively.—Reuter.

Col. N. M. S. Irwin arrived in Hongkong on April 9, 1937 from the Imperial Defence College. During the Great War he commanded five



COL. IRWIN.

separate battalions in succession, and was awarded the D.S.O. with two bars, the Military Cross, the French War Cross and was five times mentioned in despatches. He served on the North-West Frontier in the 1930-31 operations.

Col. V. R. Burkhardt arrived in Hongkong on April 28, 1935. He was previously, in 1922, G.S.O.-2 in China after three years being appointed Brig. Major in North China. In addition to China, Col. Burkhardt has seen service in France, Belgium, Macedonia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, the islands of the Aegean Sea and Gallipoli.

Crisis Grows In Hankow

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.

The situation in French Concession in Hankow has grown much more acute, so it was learned yesterday evening from a private source.

The Japanese authorities have taken extraordinary measures because about 150,000 Chinese have taken refuge in the French Concession.

All food supplies to the Concession have been cut off.

One man who attempted to bring foodstuffs from the riverside into the Concession was shot.

Prices of food have already risen considerably because of the position. On the other hand, the water supply which had been cut off for the Japanese has been provided for by the pumping of water from the Yangtze into the Concession, where it is filtered.

This intolerable position, it is declared, must lead to catastrophe unless the dispute is settled quickly.—Trans-Ocean.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

Last Christmas Mail Leaves In 3 Planes

IN EXPECTATION that the last Christmas mail to England and Australia would be a record one, three Imperial Airways planes were lined up for departure in the dim dawn light at Kai Tak Aerodrome this morning.

It was found, however, that the mail amounted to slightly less than a ton, which is well below the record.

The three planes—Dardanus, Delta, and Delphinus—have a full loading capacity of 2½ tons; in fact, on a recent trip two of them carried 1½ tons of mail. Therefore, two of them could have handled the Christmas mail comfortably, but the three nevertheless departed as they could be ready at Bangkok to bring inward mails should they be sufficiently large to call for the use of three planes.

Both English and Australian mails will be brought from Bangkok. They will arrive on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock and not to-morrow as scheduled. The next mail from Hongkong will leave on Tuesday, being due in England on Boxing Day—or one day late for Christmas greetings.

From now on Imperial Airways experts will adhere to its normal schedule. Adequate passenger space will again be available.

Only one passenger, Mr. R. A. Stirling, left this morning. He is flying to Bangkok.

BOY WITHOUT SPINE WALKS, MAY TALK SOON

Five-year-old Paul Wootton, of Bruton-avenue, Wells, Bath, "the boy without a backbone" given up by medical specialists as "a helpless, hopeless case," can walk again after three and a half years in bed. Soon, it is hoped, he will be able to talk.

A miracle healer has given him life, given him the chance to run and play like his little friends.

Here is the story, as told by Paul's mother:

"I read about a child miraculously healed by one who was not a qualified medical practitioner, and I wanted to know how my son was brought back from a living death," she said.

Paul, now rosy-cheeked and sturdy, listened as she went on. "For three and a half years he was the despair of specialists and doctors all over the country. He was 'the boy without a backbone'."

"For many weary months he lay like a pillow with no more animation. He was taken to London and to the great hospitals."

"My husband and I exhausted all our savings. We took Paul to faith healers."

"Then one day I seemed pulled to a part of Bath I did not know. I passed a gate with a plate giving the name of Mr. G. Gomer Phillips. I had to go in."

"With gentle massage and electrical treatment Mr. Phillips slowly cured my boy. I believe he has had hundreds of similar cases. No wonder Bath mothers call him the 'miracle healer'."

GIRL'S EVIDENCE BANNED

A Scots girl of 24, whose face was said to have been slashed from eye to ear with a table knife, was barred from the witness-box at Clerkenwell recently.

At a previous hearing the girl, Mary Foreman, refused to give evidence against Edmund Dolan, 43, a traveller, who was accused of assaulting her in his house at Boswell-street, Holborn.

Then Dolan called her as a witness for the defence.

Mr. Brodick, the magistrate, pointed out that she had already declined to give evidence.

"That was for the prosecution," replied Dolan. "She is willing to give evidence for the defence. Only two persons in court know what happened—myself and the lady."

Mr. Brodick: I am not going to allow her back in the box. Evidence was given by Det. Sergt. Davidson, who was asked by Dolan, "Did you see Miss Foreman, and did she say I did it?"

Witness: Yes, she said you did it. Dolan was remanded in custody with a view to his committal for trial.

Art in the Country

If the picture gallery established by George Frederick Watts, R.A., in the Surrey village of Compton, near Guildford, is moved to a town it will forfeit the residue of a fortune of £50,000 left by Mrs. Mary Seton Watts, the artist's second wife.

This was a condition of her will, published recently, in which she said it was her husband's wish that the gallery "should be for the benefit of artistic influence in the country as opposed to towns."

PIGEON GOES TO PRAYERS

Joc, famous pigeon mascot of the Liverpool-road branch of the London Fever Hospital, has to go.

Hundreds of patients and ex-patients know and love Joc.

Joc, who established himself as a member of the hospital staff years ago, loves his fellow-men—and simply loathes his fellow-pigeons.

He watches with a jealous eye for feathered intruders, and drives them out furiously with beak and claw.

The only person who can keep him in order is Sister Ayres who is leaving for another job.

That is why Joc has to go.

FAVOURITE PATIENT

He lives in a wicker cage in Sister Ayres's room.

Every morning she opens the door, and Joc, hopping out, follows her solemnly in to prayers.

When she makes the rounds of the wards Joc accompanies her.

His favourite patient is Mr. Bradley. Joc pays him frequent visits.

"He is an excellent companion," said Mr. Bradley. "One day I fell asleep. Joc woke me up by creeping between the sheets and pecking my toes."

Sister Ayres said that Joc would probably be given to a relative of one of the patients.

A NAVAL CONSULTATION

Admiral Sir Dudley Pound, the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet, was recently re-called to London. The reason for summoning him is understood to be the desire of the new heads of the Naval Staff to have his views on naval matters generally, and particularly on certain problems of the near future. There is no apparent reason to connect his visit with any immediate change in the international situation.

Sir Dudley's tenure of the command in the Mediterranean would in the normal course end early next year, and although the time for his successor to be appointed has not yet come naval opinion is almost unanimous in its choice of the man who will take over. Admiral Pound would then be free for new command, and this may well be one of the "problems of the near future" now being discussed. Special Staff conferences are at present studying the strategic position as it will be some time hence, and both the Chief of Staff and the Assistant Chief, being from command abroad, bring with them to the Admiralty the views of the principal officers of the active fleets.

Souvenir Hunters Appeased

SALEM, Ore. Souvenir seekers who visit Oregon's new capitol building have been asked not to chip marble off the walls. Instead, they are asked to go to the governor's office and ask one of his secretaries for the state's seal attached to a paper bearing Gov. Charles H. Martin's signature.



Thomas J. Mooney, famed lifer at San Quentin prison, Cal., who hoped for the pardon of Gilbert L. Olson promised he would give Mooney if elected governor. Mr. Olson was elected. Mooney has fought for 20 years the sentence he claimed was unjust, in connection with the San Francisco bombing of 1916.

EMPIRE NEWS

DOCKERS' STRIKE IN NEW ZEALAND

AUCKLAND. Owing to the dockers' strike, Auckland harbours may miss the British Christmas market.

Many laden ships are lying in harbour here unable to discharge their cargoes. Large quantities of potatoes are on board and there is a shortage in the market here.

The dockers refuse to return to work in spite of the advice of their union leaders.

The exports of lamb and pigs are below normal this year. The season is late.

INDIA

CONVICTS THREATEN HUNGER STRIKE

CALCUTTA. Although an official census in Bengal have been released there remain in prison at Calcutta a number of terrorists convicted of murder and other crimes of violence. These convicts threaten a hunger strike, starting on Friday, as a protest against their non-release.

Mr. Subhas Bose, the Congress President, announces the revocation of the agitation for an immediate general release. This was suspended pending negotiations between Mr. Gandhi and the Bengal Government, which resulted in a decision for only gradual release.

Jews for Cochins.—The recent discussions in London between Sir Shannukham Chetty, Prime Minister of Cochins, and a deputation representing Jewish refugees will result, it is believed, in permission for a number of German and Austrian Jews to live in Cochins State, in South India. There are 1,500 Jews at present in Cochins, mostly of Asiatic origin.

Budget Deficit Forecast.—Although the latest available figures on the financial situation in India are a little more reassuring than those previously published, a deficit in the current year appears inevitable.

SOUTH AFRICA

INCREASED SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS

CAPE TOWN. The increased prosperity of South Africa during the last few years is reflected in the growth of "thrift" among persons with small incomes. Figures published by the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs show that on March 31, 1938, there were 401,000 depositors in the Post Office Savings Bank, with deposits totalling £2,382,000. By Aug. 31, 1938, the number of depositors had risen to 504,000 with a total savings of £2,422,000.

Afrikaans Dictionary.—In addition to £17,500 already voted, the Government has decided to give another £10,000 to Prof. J. J. Smith, who is compiling a great Afrikaans dictionary. The work will take another 10 years to complete.

Road Safety.—The Municipality of Simon's Town has drawn attention to the fact that no single road death occurred during the Mayoral year ending Sept. 5. A good deal of traffic passes through that naval port, nearly 7,000 vehicles being counted on one day.

Made on Mail Train.—The Union Limited, the train which races from Johannesburg for nearly 1,000 miles to catch the mailships at Cape Town, has been equipped with loud-speakers to provide music in the dining saloons. It is hoped to equip the train with radio receiving apparatus.

CEYLON

POLITICAL CRISIS THREATENED

COLOMBO. A serious crisis in the Ceylon State Council is believed to be brewing as a result of a vote of confidence recently in Sir Baron Jayatilaka, the Chief Minister, and



Princess Margaretha of Sweden poses for this picture on her recent fourth birthday. She is the daughter of Prince Gustaf, heir presumptive, and Princess Sybille, and great-granddaughter of King Gustaf.

GIRL STRUCK WITH BATON: POLICE PAY £100

The Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis has made a payment of £100, with £4 13s. costs, to Miss Amy Castle, who was struck by a mounted police officer with a truncheon at Battersea on April 4 this year.

This payment followed correspondence lasting for seven months between Miss Castle's solicitor, Mr. W. H. Thompson, of Chancery Lane, and the police.

It arose out of incidents at Comyn Road, Battersea, after a scene at a Fascist meeting.

According to Miss Castle she was deliberately struck by a mounted policeman.

WENT TO RESCUE

Police statements were to the effect that the officer moved his horse through the crowd to go to the assistance of a constable who was struggling with the mob.

He struck several men and rescued his comrade, and later two men were charged at the police court.

In his statement of the case the officer emphatically denied that he deliberately assaulted the woman, and in view of this the Commissioner wrote:

"There seems, however, no doubt that Miss Castle was hit accidentally."

Apologies were made on the Commissioner's and the officer's behalf.

INDIES FRUIT FOR HOLLAND

Refrigeration Experiments

BATAVIA. Efforts to promote export and import of fruit between Holland and the Netherlands Indies are being made.

Holland orchardists in co-operation with the Dutch Government have sent an experimental shipment of grapes to the Netherlands Indies in a specially-constructed refrigeration container which can be removed from the ship and kept in operation by electricity on shore.

On the return voyage the container will be filled with Netherlands Indies fruit.

Experts will study the possibility of regular shipments of fruit between Holland and the Netherlands Indies.

Grapes for the Indies are at present imported from Australia.

Minister for Home Affairs, after a debate on the Bracegirdle report. The deportation order made in 1937 against Mr. Bracegirdle, a former tea-planter, for alleged Communist activities, was quashed by the Supreme Court.

Sir Baron Jayatilaka accused Mr. Banks, Inspector-General of the Ceylon Police, of lying and fabricating a letter. The Board of Ministers recommended the Inspector's dismissal.

A commission inquiry was appointed and empowered Inspector Banks. It criticised the evidence of Sir Baron, whose resignation as Chief Minister was expected.

In the debate in the State Council attacks were made on the members of the inquiry commission. The vote of confidence denounced the Commission's findings and expressed confidence in Sir Baron. It was passed by 38 votes to 11, all the European and several of the minority representatives voting against it.

Hero's Holiday Worker

Perry, Okla. George Butler believes he has set some kind of record. A postoffice employee, Butler, has worked on 11-hour shift every holiday for the last 10 years.

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F1243—Cockles & Muscels. All the Nice Girls Love A Sailor. JOE DANIELS & HIS HOT SHOTS DRUMMASTICKS.

F1246—Lehar Waltz Medley. IVOR MORETON & DAVE KAYE. 2 Pianos, etc.

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SPANISH FAREWELL

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

FEZ.

Moulay Hassen, wizened, tired, woman owner of a night club, has come to trial for murder.

Orgies at her club, with dancing girls, drugs and incense, have been mentioned.

Children, playing under a tree in Fez, knocked a box over and a hand was revealed. The police found in the box the remains of a woman.

Moulay Hassen's servant, Mohammed Ali, who told the police that "When Moulay Hassen looks at me I am frightened," declared that the murdered girl had been kidnapped in Fez and taken to Moulay Hassen's house, but refused to play the part assigned to her, in spite of threats and torture.

He said he helped Moulay Hassen to strangle the girl.

In Mohammed's room were found a knife, an axe, scent, and bloodstains.

In a concealed room with no light were four girls and a boy "living skeletons," the heaviest weighing less than 5st.

They said they had been lured to the house by Moulay Hassen, who met them in the streets of Meknes. They were imprisoned, beaten and starved.

They had seen, they said, Moulay Hassen and Mohammed strangle the girl, as they watched through a crack in a door.

News of the discoveries spread through Fez, like wildfire, and the troops had to be called to prevent the lynching of Moulay Hassen.

The official responsible for visiting houses where a death had occurred told the police that he had taken three or four bodies from Moulay Hassen's house.

The police discovered that there had been 15 women in the house from time to time between November, 1925, and November, 1930, and only five could be accounted for.

Mohammed, the servant, told of one whom he had taken out in a car and had given poisoned bread to eat. Her body was left in a ditch, he added.

TWO YEARS' SEARCH

The home at Fez was closed by the authorities, but the women opened others. In 1930 the police found the body of a young girl near a house she ran at Meknes.

A search started that lasted two years. Three bodies were found hidden in the walls of Hassen's house, it is declared.

Some of the dancing girls who had been kept prisoners in her house will appear as witnesses at the trial.

KEPT ALIVE BY SILVER TUBE

IN MAN'S THROAT FOR 36 YEARS

24 OPERATIONS BEFORE HE WAS SIXTEEN

There is a man living in London who has been kept alive for 36 years by breathing through a silver tube fitted in his throat.

This amazing feat was revealed as a result of stories published recently concerning young boys who could not be fitted with gas masks because they had to breathe through their silver tubes.

The man who has had a tube in his throat for 36 years is

Mr. William Sisley, 39, of North Kentplace, Woolwich, S. E.

In a letter Mr. Sisley says that at the age of three he was taken to the London Hospital with an infected windpipe, was operated on, and the silver tube inserted in his throat.

"Before I was 16 years of age," he adds, "I had had 24 operations. After 36 years I still have to breathe through my tube."

Mr. C. W. Jolly, of Blake-avenue, Barking, runs Mr. Sisley very close in the length of time he has had a tube.

"Mine was first inserted in my throat when I was 14," he says, "and I shall be 47 next February."

"I used to wear a collar and tie and play football, and I have been in the same job for 25 years."

FATHER OF SEVEN

Mr. Jolly is the father of seven children.

Perhaps the most astonishing record of all, however, is that of 63-year-old Mrs. Wilcox, of Harvey-road, Leytonstone, who has had a tube for 25 years, attends to herself, and has never had any medical assistance except on one occasion, when the tube broke in her throat.

"By clever medical science," Mr. E. M. Wilcox, her son, said "the broken portion was removed from her lung and even since her energy would shame many a young woman," smaller proportion than 20 per cent.

1,000 FAMILIES FOR CANADA

M.P. PLANS £10,000,000 SETTLEMENT SCHEME

SAVING BRITAIN MILLIONS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

A remarkable scheme to restart the flow of settlers to the Dominions and colonies has been prepared by Brigadier-General Sir Henry Fuge Croft, M.P., and Mr. R. S. Dalglish, who this year went to British Columbia to investigate the possibilities of community settlements for British immigrants.

They suggest in their report, that an Empire Development Company be formed "with a view to developing and settling such areas within the British Dominions and British Colonial Empire as appear to present the most favourable opportunities for the investment of British capital, and subject to the concurrence and good will of the Governments concerned."

The report has been presented to the Prime Minister and the Cabinet.

The company, it is proposed, would be a private corporation responsible to its shareholders, but it would be the subject of the Government to assist in schemes of which they approve.

CASH GRANTS PROPOSED

This assistance would take the form of cash grants under the Empire Settlement Act, or credit facilities under the Trade Facilities Act. A representative of the Treasury would be a permanent director on the board of the company, the chairman of which would be approved by the Prime Minister.

Experimental settlements would be proceeded immediately with, such experiment to cover 10,000 carefully selected settlers, their wives and families.

In view of the promise of wholehearted co-operation of the Government of British Columbia and the offer of free land by the Premier of that Province, immediate steps, it is stated, should be taken to accept that offer and to "prepare for the early advent of settlers."

The report stresses that a preliminary sum, not exceeding £10,000,000, adequate to settle 10,000 settlers, should be allocated by the British Government, or raised by public subscription under the Trade Facilities Act.

All lands, houses, farm buildings, machinery, and livestock, would remain the property of the company until the settler has paid off his indebtedness to it. Fixed charges of interest and sinking fund, spread over twenty-three years, if necessary, would become payable as from the



Disbanding of the International Brigade that has been fighting for Loyalist Spain was preceded by a last parade somewhere behind the Ebro front. Farewell ceremonies were extensive, with speeches by leaders of the Loyalist forces. Here is Premier Juan Negrin bidding the men good-bye, from a tree-shaded platform.

Verdict For Newspaper In Libel Claim

conclusion of the second year of the settler's occupation.

It is pointed out that Parliament has for many years voted £3,000,000 to assist migration and settlement schemes, and that, owing to the failure to take advantage of this sum, the amount was last year cut down to £1,500,000.

The report suggests that this, or a great sum, might usefully be employed over the next seven years for the purposes of the scheme.

CUTTING UNEMPLOYMENT

The carrying out of the experiment is estimated to effect a saving of unemployment benefit of approximately £15,000,000 in 20 years, while the total cost will amount to not more than £10,000,000, a great part of which will be repaid, and could be used for the development of further settlements.

As an alternative, the sponsors of the scheme are of opinion that, as far as capital expenditure is involved, the scheme could be carried out by a debenture issue, the financing of the company by public issue being at such a rate of interest as to enable settlers to make repayments without undue burden.

In this case the Government would be asked to contribute only sufficient to pay for transport, two years' work allowance, and an allowance for training.

"Whichever alternative is adopted," it is added, "we believe that the investment is sound from the point of view of Great Britain, and an immense boon to the Dominion of Canada, or any other Dominion where similar schemes are adopted."

The report also points out that under the proposed scheme there would be community halls, schools and churches, co-operative community stores and transport. The extreme loneliness of the past, which often had tragic results, need no longer be dreaded in planned community settlements.

A verdict for the defendants was given in an action in the High Court, Dublin, in which Mr. William N. Willis, restaurant proprietor, Mountjoy Square, Dublin, and promoter of an all-in wrestling contest, claimed damages against the Irish Press, Limited, Dublin, for an alleged libel.

The jury, after an absence of half an hour, found in favour of the defendant newspaper, and judgment was entered for the "Irish Press" with costs.

Mr. Willis, who was promoter of an all-in wrestling contest in Dublin between Paddy Casey and Pedro Peltonen, alleged that the newspaper had libelled him by withdrawing and apologising for a statement published in the issue of December 1, 1937, as having been made by him in an interview to the effect that the match had been arranged in advance so that one or other of the contestants would win.

The plaintiff stated in evidence that he had told Peltonen to let Casey win, but that as Peltonen would not agree, he had to "doublecross" him so that Casey's undefeated record would remain intact.

Witnesses on behalf of Mr. Willis stated that all-in wrestling matches were pre-arranged.

For the defence, it was denied that the words complained of were libellous or defamatory of Mr. Willis, and it was pleaded that the occasion of the publication was privileged.

Mr. Justice O'Byrne ruled that the occasion was privileged.

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Eden Visits Town Of Ancestor

Washington, Dec. 15. Mr. Anthony Eden, whose visit to the capital was marked by frank and informal discussions with President Roosevelt, Mr. Sumner Welles, Senator Key Pittman and members of the American Cabinet, left for New York early to-day, via Annapolis, capital of the State of Maryland, where an ancestor of Mr. Eden's, Sir Robert Eden, was the last Colonial Governor.

Mr. Eden motored to Annapolis in brilliantly sunny weather, and a reception committee of leading citizens, including Rear-Admiral Wilson Brown, Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy, conducted the party on a tour of the 18th century town, to Sir Robert Eden's tomb, and the Naval Academy.

Mr. Eden will privately address the Council on Foreign Relations (an unofficial association for the study of foreign policy) at a dinner to-night. —Reuter.

9 Below Zero In Soviet Cold Wave

Warsaw, Dec. 15. Severe cold has broken out all over central Russia, state reports from Moscow.

In Moscow itself the temperature is nine degrees below zero.

Heavy snow storms have brought rail and road traffic to a standstill. —Trans-Ocean.

HONGKONG HOTEL'S XMAS PLANS

Kyra, Roby and Harry, the popular entertainers open their season at the Hongkong Hotel on December 21. An added attraction will be "The Gipsies Glamourites" with the Dani Sisters, who have also been booked for the festive season.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York Cotton		
	Opening	Closing
December	8.49/49	8.45/45
Jan. (1939)	8.52/52	8.24/24
Mar. (1939)	8.25/25	8.25/25
May (1939)	8.07/07	8.04/04
July (1939)	7.78/78	7.74/74
Oct. (1939)	7.48/47	7.44/44
Spot		8.68 Nom.
New York Rubber		
	Opening	Closing
December	16.20/20	16.07/11
Mar. (1939)	16.20/23	15.90/10.00
May		16.02/03
Oct.		15.94/16.00
Sales for the day: 3,400 tons.		
Chicago Wheat		
	December	January
December	67 1/2/67 1/2	64 1/4/64 1/4
January	67 1/2/67 1/2	63 1/4/63 1/4
July	67 1/2/67 1/2	63 1/4/63 1/4
Wednesday's Sales: 6,803,000 bushels.		
Chicago Corn		
	December	January
December	50/49 1/2	50/49 1/2
January	53 1/2/53 1/2	52 1/4/52 1/4
July	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2
Winnipeg Wheat		
	December	January
December	60/60	61 1/2/61 1/2
January	63 1/2/63 1/2	62 1/2/62 1/2
July	63 1/2/63 1/2	62 1/2/62 1/2

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Many British Exiles Return Thousands Go Home For Christmas

LONDON, Dec. 15. THE CALL to Britain for Christmas time is being answered by thousands from all parts of the Empire.

By far the biggest number of exiles returning to the country for Christmas are from India, and further East.

Hitherto a comparatively mild winter has been experienced and huge crowds daily pack the popular business centres of the metropolis, including 1,000 "colonials", who find stout evidence that anticipation of Yuletide is dispelling the gloom cast by the events of a critical year.

In preparation for the heavy holiday traffic, beginning next week the four main line railway companies have arranged to run more than 2,500 additional long-distance passenger expresses and extra trains for parcels mails.

Enquiries at Imperial Airways show that the heavy Empire air mail traffic is being handled as smoothly and expeditiously as possible. No fewer than 18 planes—flying boats and land planes—look off from Southampton for Empire destinations on one day, and "no difficulty is being experienced" in disposing of the heaviest Christmas mail ever. —Reuter.

German Plane Will Tour Far East

Berlin, Dec. 15. A two-seater aeroplane, the AR. 79, will start next Monday from the Brandenburg-on-Havel aerodrome for a flight to Tripoli in Italian North Africa, and thence overland to Australia, via Libya, Egypt, Arabia, India and Java.

The object of the flight is to demonstrate the capacity of this type of machine for long-distance flights. —Trans-Ocean.

Archbishop Leaves League Union

London, Dec. 15. Cardinal Hinsley, the Archbishop of Westminster, has announced his withdrawal from the League of Nations Union, in a letter to the chairman, Lord Cecil, published here to-day.

The reason given by Cardinal Hinsley for this decision is that the League of Nations Union has ceased to be a non-political society. —Trans-Ocean.

Lancashire Mass Protest At Apathy

London, Dec. 15. Carrying burning torches and protected from the pouring rain by umbrellas, several hundred employers and employees marched to a meeting in Blackburn to protest against what they consider parliamentary apathy towards the Lancashire cotton trade.

The demonstration was arranged by the "Red Rose Cotton Campaign," which is urging assistance for cotton. The meeting was attended by 2,000, who passed a resolution urging the Government in all future trade pacts and negotiations to take such action as was necessary to improve the cotton industry. —Reuter.

Memel Elections: Final Results

London, Dec. 15. Official results of the Memel elections held recently give the Germans 26 seats, and the Lithuanians four. The latter obtained under 13 per cent of the poll, but regard the result as satisfactory, taking into consideration German political pressure which was brought to bear on the elections, and the withdrawal of voting rights from 5,000 Lithuanians. —Reuter.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale of Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of December, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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Labour To Aid Recruiting

Fuel Weight Behind Govt. Campaign

LONDON, Dec. 15. LORD STRABOLGI emphatically stated in the House of Lords to-day that the Labour Party would assist in a recruiting campaign.

He said there was a real temptation not to do so because of their contempt and loathing for the Government's foreign policy, but on the question of help, they had no choice.

"We must, and we will. This is a democracy," declared Lord Strabolgi. What they needed specially in the industrial section of the Party was assurance with regard to the safeguarding and maintenance of the rights of the trade unions.

He was glad to see from recent observations by representatives of the Government in the House of Commons, and outside, that there seemed some hardening in the Government's foreign policy, but there would be a far greater response from the rank and file if the Government really convinced them that it really meant what it said.

Lord Strabolgi said that so far as he could make out, recruiting for the navy was very good, for the air force, fairly good, for the army, not very good, and was marvellous in some A.R.P. services, although there were gaps. —Reuter.

Reshuffle Of Cabinet

London, Dec. 15. A reshuffle in the British Cabinet at the beginning of next year, is predicted by the "Star".

The changes, it is said, will primarily affect the Ministry for the Co-ordination of Defence, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Lord Chancellorship.

Lord Maudslayi, the present Lord Chancellor, is believed to have asked the Prime Minister to relieve him of the post.

Growing opposition of the British farmers to the policy pursued by the present Minister for Agriculture, Mr. William Morrison, is said to have induced Mr. Chamberlain to consider the possibility of choosing a new man for this post.

The same source claims to have information to the effect that the post of Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, now held by Sir Thomas Inskip, will be abolished altogether.

There is also the likelihood, adds the paper, that Lord Winterbottom, who is at present collaborating with Sir John Anderson in organising civil air defence throughout the country, will shortly leave the Cabinet. —Trans-Ocean.

Another Note To Reich From U.S.

Washington, Dec. 15. A note has been delivered to Berlin again, requesting assurances that there will be no discriminatory treatment of American citizens based either on race or creed.

The note further expressed disappointment that the assurances requested for on previous occasions, had not been forthcoming. —Reuter.

COMMONS TOLD OF POSITION IN HONGKONG

LONDON, Dec. 15.

CAPTAIN L. F. PLUGGE, Conservative member for Chatham, asked Mr. Malcolm MacDonald in the House of Commons to-day for a statement on the financial position of Hongkong, "whose trade has largely collapsed as a result of the war in China, and which is none-the-less compelled to support a very large number of Chinese refugees."

Fighting Behind The Lines Admitted

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.

REVEALING THE wide-spread operations against Chinese guerilla forces, involving the army, navy and air force, a Japanese spokesman to-day said that since December 9, the Japanese forces had carried out operations in the Shanghai, Tsungming, Hangchow and Yangchow areas.

He said that a unit of 6,000 of the new Fourth Army were centred at Nankiao and Nanhwei, 20 miles south-east of Shanghai, with their headquarters in Shanghai, though he did not know whether they were in French Concession or the International Settlement.

He added that the Japanese navy had blockaded the coast, the air force had bombed the Chinese forces, and the Shanghai Japanese garrison had enveloped them yesterday, and had captured Nankiao and Nanhwei. He estimated the Chinese losses to be 400 dead, while they had surrendered ten trench mortars and 40 machine-guns.

The Japanese losses in this engagement were one killed.

The spokesman added that a Japanese column from Yangchow attacked 6,000 Chinese guerillas, armed with artillery at Tienchang, 50 miles north-east of Nanking, and killed 250. The Japanese losses was one officer and three N.C.O.s killed and ten soldiers wounded.

He added that army and navy units attacked 1,500 guerillas at Tsungming Island, and killed 150 of them.

For four days the Japanese forces operated against 20,000 members of the "1st Kiangnan Volunteer Corps," north of Hangchow, and killed 600, as well as capturing 60 machine-guns. The Japanese left three dead and 12 wounded.

Asked how the Shanghai 4th Army headquarters communicated with their forces despite the Japanese cordon thrown around the area, the spokesman replied it was easy because "almost all the Chinese are spies. This is characteristic of the situation all over China." —United Press.

Former Far East Correspondent Dies

London, Dec. 15. The death has occurred in London, following an operation, of Mr. William Rutley Mowll of Reuter's Shanghai office.

Mr. Mowll was for many years chief Far Eastern Manager of Reuter's economic services, and was one of the company's ablest and most trusted servants. —Reuter.

North Pole Pilot Dies In Crash

Moscow, Dec. 15. A military pilot named Chkalov was killed in a crash to-day while testing a military plane.

He became world-famous last year when he flew from Moscow across the North Pole to America. —Reuter.

Mr. MacDonald said that while the recent interruption of rail and river communications between Hongkong and Canton had temporarily stopped trade through those channels, there was no indication of a drastic deterioration in the colonial Government's financial position in the immediate future.

Estimates of expenditure, nevertheless, had been pruned as a necessary measure of caution. The influx of refugees from the area of hostilities in south Kwangtung had obtained a considerable volume in the latter part of November, but numbers now were able to return home with the cessation of active fighting in the neighbouring Chinese territory.

Refugees who were destitute were given food and accommodation, not only at the cost of public funds, but by a large extent through funds raised by residents of the Colony. —Reuter.

Japanese Plan For "New Order"

LONDON, Dec. 15. The Japanese plan for the creation of a "new order" in East Asia is engaging the attention of the British Government in an increasing degree.

Political circles here believe that the British Government will endeavour to obtain the co-operation of the United States, and eventually of France, in adopting a more determined attitude than hitherto towards Japanese schemes susceptible of affecting the interests of these Powers in China.

It is believed that joint representations will be made in Tokyo by the British and United States governments with the object of obtaining parity concerning the Japanese plan as announced by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita.

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Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	Suwa Maru	December 16.
Straits and London parcels—London date, Nov. 10.	Agamemnon	December 17.
Haiphong	Canton	December 17.
Manila	Conte Blancamano	December 17.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kwangtung	December 17.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	December 17.
Straits	Anhui	December 18.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date, Imperial Airways Plane December 15, 11th December.		
Japan and Shanghai	Ixion	December 18.
Manila	Roseville	December 18.
Shanghai and Swatow	Hunan	December 18.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Friday		
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong	Kiangsu	Fri., Dec. 16, 1 p.m.
Swatow, and Foochow	Seistan	Fri., Dec. 16, 2 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways" Suwa Maru		Fri., Dec. 16, 3 p.m.
Direct Service—due Amsterdam, 27th December.	K.P.O.	
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	Ord.	Dec. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Japan, India, East and S. Suwa Maru		Fri., Dec. 16.
Africa, India, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 15th January.	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 16, 3 p.m.
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	G.P.O.	
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	Ord.	Dec. 16, 7 p.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, and Haruna Maru		Fri., Dec. 16.
Europe (except Great Britain and Elre) via Siberia.	K.P.O.	
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	Ord.	Dec. 16, 5.30 p.m.
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	Reg.	Dec. 16, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 16, 7 p.m.
Japan	Kutsang	Fri., Dec. 16, 7 p.m.
Saturday		
Shanghai	Conte Blancamano	Sat., Dec. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Kwaiyang	Sat., Dec. 17, 8.30 p.m.
Parcels and Papers only for Calcutta	Talamba	Sat., Dec. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Apsey	Sat., Dec. 17, 10.00 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service" Lyceum		Sat., Dec. 17.
—due Marseilles, 1st January.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
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Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and President Coolidge		Sat., Dec. 17.
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	Ord.	Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Sochow	Sat., Dec. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Lyceum	Sat., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow and Tientsin	Talanga	Sun., Dec. 18, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—due London, 26th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Dec. 19.
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	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 19, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 19, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—due Sydney, 26th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Dec. 19.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Dec. 19, 5 p.m.
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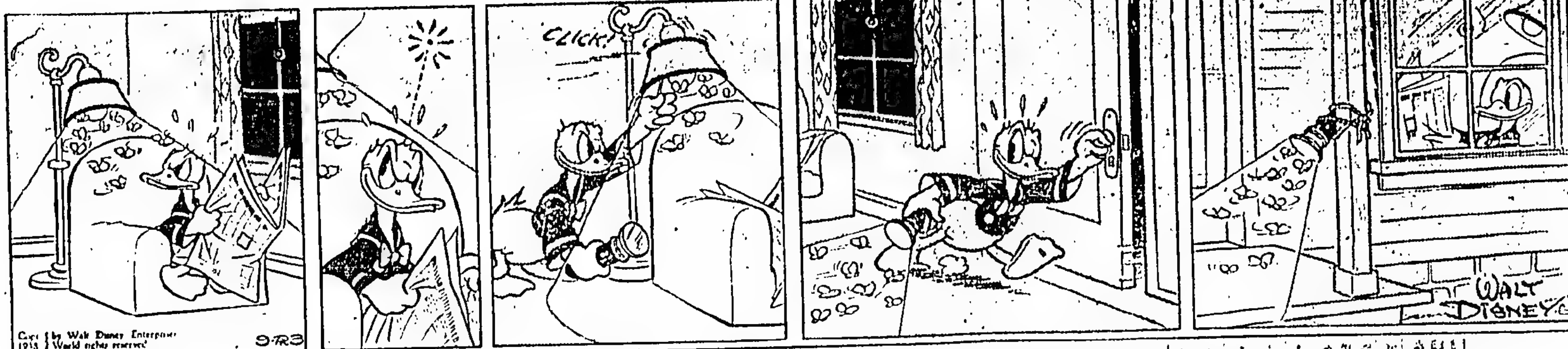
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ACTION FOR LIBEL

Defamation Of Character
Alleged By Mr. Brayfield

An action for libel, claiming unstipulated damages, was brought by Mr. Thomas Henry Gordon Brayfield, marine surveyor and owner of racing ponies, against the Hongkong Jockey Club, at the Supreme Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Acting Chief Justice.

The claim arose out of a disputed account for \$9.10 in connection with excess fodder for two ponies. Mr. Brayfield's name was posted up at the Clubhouse, and he alleged that in consequence of this action his reputation had been attacked.

The defence admitted the publication of the notice, but maintained that their action was privileged.

Hearing was adjourned to this morning.

A special jury was empanelled. It comprised Messrs. J. Fleming (Foreman), H. M. McLay, C. Champlin, T. B. Wilson, Lo Yuk-tong, I. H. Geare and L. Dunbar.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the Jockey Club. Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, represented Mr. Brayfield.

When the case was resumed in the afternoon, Mr. V. D. Sorby, who failed to answer his name when called to serve on the jury, was asked by His Lordship for an explanation. Mr. Sorby explained that at 9.45 a.m. his chief assistant kept talking to him and he forgot the time.

His Lordship: It is hardly a convincing excuse, is it not?—It is the truth, Sir.

I am sure it is, but it hardly excuses you. You must realise that as a result of your absence, another member of the community had to be empanelled in your place while you escaped. I must fine you \$25.

Jury's Request

The Foreman of the Jury then asked: The Jury would like to retire to discuss the trial at this stage. His Lordship: It is not your function to discuss until the trial is over. No real purpose is served by your discussing it at this stage.

Foreman: Cannot we form an opinion at this stage?

His Lordship: I don't think you are entitled to form any opinion until the case for the plaintiff is over, at any rate.

Continuing his cross-examination of Mr. Brayfield, Mr. Potter asked: About this excess fodder, you never consulted Major Hogg on any occasion?

Question:—This question never arose before.

It is clear that the question of excess fodder is between the owner and the trainer only?—And the stables manager as well.

But the right to give excess fodder is between the owner and the trainer?—Yes.

You had a trainer named Po Yee in January, 1937, before Mr. Tau?—Yes.

I will give a couple of examples showing Po Yee did draw excess fodder in January, 1937. Did he charge it to your account after having drawn it?—On my instructions.

But you never informed the Jockey Club?—I did. I went to the office and requested that extra fodder be given to my trainer when he called for it the next morning.

I put it to you that it had been the practice not for an owner to order hay. It was left to the trainer?—Not in my case.

I put it to you that you never spoke to Major Hogg that you had instructed Po Yee to draw extra fodder?—I am certain I did.

Whom did you tell actually?—I cannot remember. It might be Major Hogg or his clerk.

You also at times signed for any excess, did you not?—Not excess fodder, but straw.

And your trainer also signed?—The trainer or mafao.

Probably the fodder you drew was for your Castle Peak stable?—Not necessarily.

There are a number of entries showing that Po Yee not only drew hay but also equipment such as racing colours and straps for saddle. Do you suggest that in all these cases you went to someone in authority and told him that your trainer would come and draw them?—In some cases Po Yee would come and ask me for permission. I would give it him and sign for them later.

The System

If in fact you went to the Jockey Club and informed them that someone would come and draw hay, why in the world did you not sign for it yourself?—It might have been after 6 o'clock at night and the clerk might not be there.

About the items in respect of Mr. Tau, you also went and told the officials?—I expect I would have. I put it to you that it is the system for owners to permit their trainers to draw these extras, without first going to the Jockey Club, and then honour their signature by paying the bill?—Not in my case. They must ask me first.

About your ponies, Salvage Master and Ship Master, Salvage Master arrived in the Colony in November, 1937, and you had charge of him from the start?—Yes.

Tau will tell the Court that Salvage Master was in a weak condition, do you agree with that?—I don't think he ever was. As far as I can remember, he only had a swelling in the leg.

Tau would also say that the pony was in a weakening condition and required strengthening up. Do you agree?—I never heard of that.

He was entered for every race available?—Obviously.

As regards Ship Master, he was old at that time?—Yes.

You brought him in from the country and handed him over to Tau about a month before the racing?—That's right.

Tau will tell us that the pony was very thin, would you agree to that?—He was notoriously fat.

He was entered for four races on successive days?—Yes.

Tau considered that this pony required excess fodder, is that true?—He did not mention it to me. He might have considered it.

Did he say to you on February 5 or 6 that, "Pony no stumps. I give him 15 lbs. more chow"?—No, I do not think so.

He is going to tell the Court also that he said these words to you: "This month pay more chow, two piece pony 91 lbs. Next month no more; 13 lbs. can do." And your reply was, "If no pay, Jockey Club too much money, Maskee." Is that true?—I think it is imagination.

Special Feed

You have said that you yourself provided special feed for your ponies in this, and that your mafao took from each tin sufficient to make up a good handful which would be mixed up with the usual forage. Tau says that, at the very most, that extra feed would only amount to one pound a day, probably less. Is that true?—No.

He would also say that only four or five eggs were given to each pony a day, all at the evening feed and never more than five. Do you agree?—Thirty eggs were given to the two ponies daily.

Were you present when this extra feed was given?—I never actually saw them being given to the ponies. Tau says that no lucerne and Timothy hay was ever given during February at all, and the books show that the last drawing of Timothy

hay was in November, 1937. Do you agree?—According to the books, yes. But probably the Jockey Club ran out of Timothy hay at that time. I never allowed a pony to go without Timothy hay and I must have got it from Abbas Khan in Kowloon.

About your interview with Mr. Pearce, whose manner you have described as irascible. I put it to you that Mr. Pearce, who will give evidence, approached you in a conciliatory manner and made every effort to try and settle this unhappy dispute without any explanation.

Did he approach you in a most conciliatory manner?—I don't think so. When Mr. Pearce approached me I congratulated him on the win he just had. He replied, "Never mind about that, I want to see you."

What did you say to him?—I proposed to him that they should make a check of the quantity in the bins at the beginning and end of every month. His reply was, "Surely, you are not going to be so foolish as to suggest that?"

In the by-laws you are entitled to 13 lbs., and, assuming that you in fact got 15 lbs., surely you don't suggest you wouldn't pay for that extra?—I offered to pay provided substantial proof was forthcoming.

Any other proposals to Mr. Pearce besides checking up the bins?—No.

Notice Of Libel

Just a word about the publication of the libel. We know that the notice was put on the board, and you got a registered letter on April 27, the date of the posting of the notice, informing you that your name had been put up. Do you agree?—Yes.

And yet you left that \$9.10 unpaid until May 22?—I went away in the meantime.

Did you know that if you had paid earlier your name would have been taken down?—Yes.

Then why didn't you pay it before?—I was away at Swatow.

But you got the letter before you went?—Yes, but the notice was already put up.

Your Counsel has suggested that you ought to be used in the Summary Court. Will you take it from me that if you were sued for an amount less than \$10, no costs are allowed unless the Judge considers the case is of great public importance?—If we had taken action it would probably have cost us about \$40 even if we recovered the money. Would you consider it fair for us to take such a course then?—It is not for me to say. It is a matter for your Counsel.

Reference was made this morning to a check which you had made of the weight of the feed. Did you go to the stables on December 8 last?—I did.

Did you ask Tau to measure out the feed for the pony?—Yes.

And as he took out a tin-ful of feed you weighed it on a scale which was brought down by you?—Yes.

And you found the sum total of the weight was 15 lbs.?—The spring of the scale was out of adjustment after we had started weighing for a while.

As a result, Tau suggested you send for Major Hogg's scale?—I think I asked him.

Did it or did it not come to 15 lbs.?—We did not carry on to the end because my scale was inaccurate.

After getting Major Hogg's scale you again went through the same procedure of checking and found the feed came to 13 lbs. 2 ozs.?—During the process we found the Jockey Club's scale was also inaccurate, and I said I would bring a proper scale the next day.

The following day you came back again and went through another process of weighing, and again you found Tau was accurate in his estimate?—We had then a correct scale, and we made 12.715 lbs. instead of 13 lbs.

Object of Weighing

What was your object in having these weighing and checking tests?—To get our facts for this case.

Then on December 10 you went to the storeroom and saw the storekeeper?—Yes.

You told him you wanted to check the scale in the forage barn?—Yes.

In order to make sure it was correct. I can't see what you were aiming at?—I was getting our money.

And you are the only owner-member who has made a complaint of this kind. What right have you got to go to the barn?—It is a public place.

It is not. Didn't the clerk say he would go and see Major Hogg first, and while he was away you promptly tested the scale?—That is incorrect, but we did test the scale and found it was dead correct.

You didn't wait for Major Hogg's permission?—No, because he arrived about ten minutes afterwards.

Re-examined by his Counsel, Mr. Brayfield said the actual person who fed the pony was the mafao.

Did Tau say anything about these checks?—I don't think he made any comment. I asked him to fill the measures and he did.

Mr. Potter said he could not understand your object for so doing. What was your aim?—I wanted to make sure I was not getting anything in excess of the 13 lbs. allowance.

You wanted to see what was the amount and nothing more?—Yes.

Can you say who can testify as to the stuff actually weighed out?—The mafao and myself.

Tau had nothing to do with it?—No.

Is he in a position to say the amount of your own feed given to the ponies?—I don't think he can.

With regard to the supply of hay, it has been said that you did not draw any during February. Is that correct?—I must have supplied it myself, probably purchased from Abbas Khan in Kowloon.

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During last February the pony was also given five eggs at each feed, besides lucerne hay and beans, supplied by Mr. Brayfield himself. The fodder his pony received was about the same as that for other ponies, but the private food was a little bit more.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, witness said he did get hay from the Jockey Club during February. His pony got what he had already stated, and nothing more.

After corroborative evidence had been given by Tang Kam-shuen, the mafao in charge of Ship Master, Mr. Macnamara said that that was the case for the plaintiff.

His Lordship then waited to know if the Jury wished to say anything, and, after several minutes had elapsed, the Foreman said they would like to have Tau called.

His Lordship: He would be called in the ordinary course of events. 10 a.m. to-day.

merely waited for you to see whether you would like to renew, in any form, the suggestion you had made earlier—whether you would like to retire to give this matter some consideration; you seemed to have formed a certain view of the case. I directed you at that time you must hear the case for the plaintiff first.

The Foreman said the Jury would like to retire, but after ten minutes they returned and stated they would like to hear further evidence.

The case was then adjourned to 10 a.m. to-day.

don and Revel)... Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony with vocal refrain.

7.35 London Relay—Mr. Gille Potter.

7.50 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Free-Fox-Trot; Take My Heart; Fox-Trot... with vocal refrain; Two Hearts In Cuba—Rumba.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Don Cossack Choir. The Epic of "Serge Jaroff's Don Cossack Choir" (Prof. Schwedoff: The Song of the Terek Cossacks (Jaroff)... conducted by Serge Jaroff; Russian Folk Song (arr. Jaroff); Russian Folk Song—arr. Jaroff; Song of the Volga Boatmen (Russian Folk Song—arr. Jaroff)... conducted by Serge Jaroff.

8.20 Studio — Lya Gurevitch (Piano) playing Moussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition."

8.45 Orchestral compositions of Moussorgsky.

Gopak (from "The Fair At Sorotchinsk"); London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Night On The Bare Mountain... London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Serenade... Reginald Foot at the B. B. C. Theatre Organ with Alfredo Campoli (Violin).

9.00 London Relay—"Food for Thought".

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Next week's programme.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

Macushin (Rowe-Macmurray); Too Late To-morrow (Lonsberg); Tell Me To-night (from the film)... with Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—Theatre Composers—Paul Rubens.

The Man and his Music. A programme arranged by M. Wilson Disher. Music selected and produced by Made H. Lubbock and Owen Williams. The B.B.C. Theatre Chorus and the B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra. Leader, Tate Gilder. Conducted by Harold Lowe.

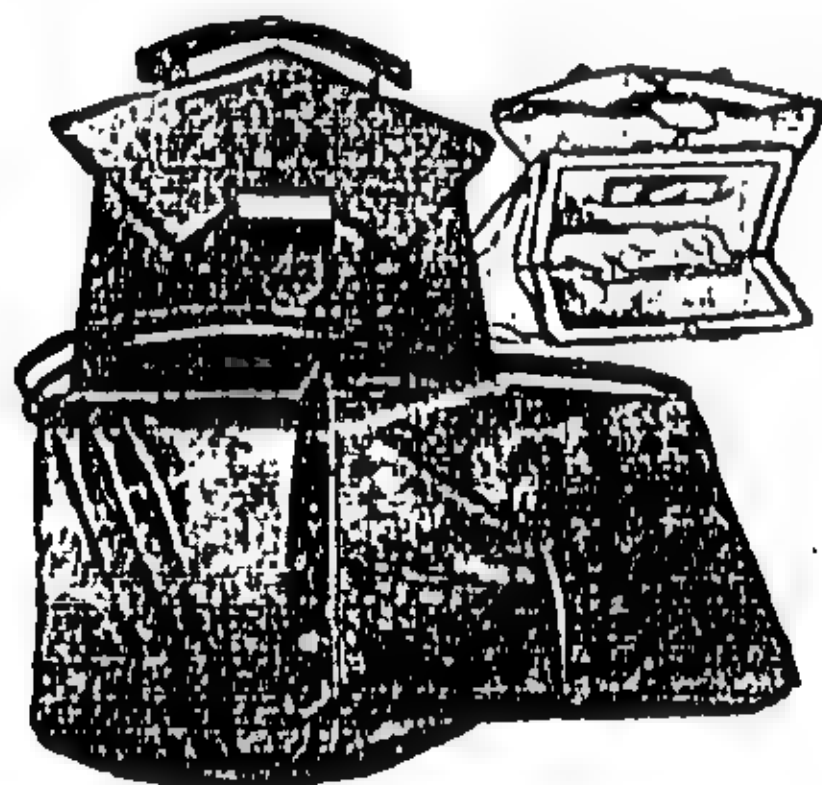
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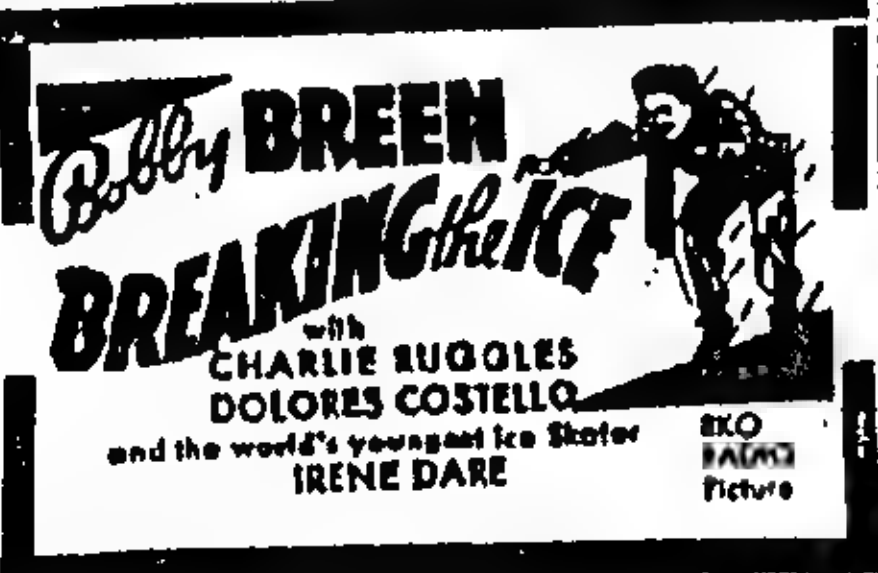
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ADVICE FOR SCHOLARS

C.B.S. Headmaster Deplores Press Publicity For School Sports

Prizes won during the year were presented at the Central British School yesterday by the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, who addressed the pupils, pointing out the subservience of games to learning service for others.

The Headmaster, Mr. W. L. Handyside, gave a report of the year's activities commending the scholastic attainments of the students and speaking on several phases of school life in which improvement could be made. He deprecated press publicity of school athletics.

On the platform were Mr. C. G. Solles, Director of Education, Mr. B. Wylie, member of the Board of Education, and Mr. C. F. Rees, Senior Master.

Mr. Handyside said: I must state at the outset that there are at least three schools being carried on at one time in this building, a Co-educational Junior School (Forms Remove and I), a Co-educational Secondary School (the present Upper and Lower Forms). Each of these "schools" has its own problems and the fact that they have to be considered together, does not make our work here any easier.

The increase in numbers during recent years is very noticeable; in 1937, the maximum enrolment was 130; 1932, 287, 1937, 304. This term it is 315. Shakespeare's boy "creeping like snail unwillingly to school" is as dead as Queen Anne. The danger now lies in parents allowing their children to come to school when they should be resting at home. Examinations and tests are partly to blame, but it should be realised that no pupil is punished through absence for accepted reasons such as sickness.

The health of pupils and staff has been generally good.

All pupils were either privately or at the Kowloon Hospital, vaccinated and inoculated against cholera.

Nail Biting Habit. I must draw attention to the prevalence throughout the school of the habit of nail-biting. I am convinced that nervous irritation is chiefly responsible; the cure lies in keeping both hands occupied. This will explain my references to handwork.

It is to be hoped that before long it will be found possible in the future to have every pupil in the school medically examined two or three times during the school career—at entrance, one year later, and at 12 to 14 years of age.

It is a logical step from health to discipline. Health, home environment, social environment, are fundamental to discipline. Free happy activity is the aim as well as the criterion. To me there is no higher standard than this, and we are on the way to reaching it. Happiness is there, but there is a lack of freedom. Fear is still a factor and until it disappears—for what or whom should there be fear?—the discipline I have in mind cannot exist. I deplore also what I may term the "boy-anal" complex. It is in evidence in the classroom when pupils ask to be told something e.g. the spelling of a word, which with a little effort they may find out for themselves. The responsibility lies equally with parents and teachers. I am pleased to say that during my term of office here, there have been no cases of corporal punishment and I cannot see that anyone is the worse for it.

Steps are being taken to make co-operation between this school and the Junior School closer. Handwork and Music are now considered essential and arrangements are being made to give these a place in this school, compatible with their social and cultural importance.

I look forward to the time when there will be some differentiations in the work of the Sixth Form. Not all pupils want to benefit by an academic curriculum. I should like to see a "commercial group", in which pupils would be taught the elements of business practice and theory and at the same time continue to learn how to handle the human element in business by acting as Prefects and in other capacities.

Examination-Ridden. In my opinion we are examination-ridden in this Colony. I am not at all happy when I see children of all ages spending long hours writing answers to questions that frequently have little meaning for them. But perhaps the less I say on this topic the better. I hope to see the day when assistant and head teachers will be trusted to report on the general progress of their pupils without the need for such agonies as are at present endured by all concerned and to such little purpose.

The Standard for External Examinations in Britain is becoming absurdly high for pupils of 15 to 16 years of age; so much so that steps are now being taken in England to make School Leaving Certificates easier of attainment by the normal healthy pupil. I, for my part, think that this is being done in the wrong way. I am convinced that in Hongkong we are in advance of England in this respect. To grant to a pupil leaving a Secondary School a Certificate which may not include mathematics, an additional language or a science seems to me a retrograde step.

I mention our record and pass on: External Examinations.—Cambridge School Certificate—Candidates were presented seven Candidates awarded, 12, 70 per cent. Two of our pupils, Marianne Hill and Pryde, gained exemption from Matriculation. As the mothers of both pupils are on the staff, the school as a whole can take only part of

the credit. It does, however, show what can be done by home influence and close co-operation between parents and school.

Hongkong University Matriculation.—Two entered and passed. Hongkong School Certificate Examination.—19 entrants; 18 sat and passed.

Suggested Change. Two years of hard work and careful thinking are required before pupils another year is required to reach English Matriculation and Scottish School Certificate standard. If this school is to continue to present candidates for this examination, I suggest that they should be entered from Form IV.

Internal Examinations.—Pupils in Forms Remove to IV were examined by the Staff. Of these 65 per cent. passed a somewhat severe test and a slightly larger percentage was promoted.

The sports grounds are a great blessing; without them our work would be almost valueless. Football and Cricket, hockey and netball are played and played well.

We should like more funds for Scholarships and Prizes. This is an aspect of our work in which the foreign community as a whole might render valuable assistance.

The playing fields are in constant use and all pupils now have an opportunity to participate regularly in games. The few exceptions to this are having my personal attention. The school record in games and athletics is excellent. The aim is to develop all-round ability rather than outstanding achievement in any one department.

I have only one further comment to make. The publicity attached to many of the games is not having a good effect on sportsmanship. Frequently the atmosphere also in which the games, especially hockey, is played is not such as I approve. When it is realised that school teams are composed of pupils from 12 to 17 years of age, it will be realised that everything should be done to preserve the tone which we try to set in school. Less press publicity would be a step in the right direction.

In Touch With Parents. I cannot close without referring to steps that are being taken to keep in touch with present parents and past pupils. An attempt is being made to revive interest in school activities among both. Whatever success this may have, will depend on the co-operation and financial support of all concerned.

Sir Henry Pollock. The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—I am delighted to learn from the speech which the headmaster has just read that the pupils of the Central British School have done so well in the examinations, and these satisfactory results reflect credit not only upon the pupils concerned but also upon the staff of the School.

It gives me much pleasure to convey a special vote of thanks to Mr. Benjamin Wylie, who has been for many years past a Member of the Board of Education and has always taken a keen and active interest in the progress and welfare of the Central British School. (Applause.)

I congratulate Mr. Handyside, upon his excellent, outspoken and constructive speech, and I hope that the Government will ere long be able to remedy those defects in the school buildings and grounds to which he has drawn attention. This would involve the expenditure of only a small sum of money.

I understand that Mr. Handyside is hoping, in the course of the next year or two, to enable pupils, by means of scholarships, to continue at school for further study in more practical branches of education and to encourage local boys and girls to train for some useful profession.

Many other interesting suggestions have been made by Mr. Handyside which seem to me worthy of careful consideration, but I will not take up your time by recapitulating them.

Place of Sport. Whilst it is satisfactory that the boys and girls of the school have fielded off sport and whilst I fully appreciate the importance of healthy exercise, I hope that none of you boys and girls, owing to seeing your names or photographs in the newspapers, are under the erroneous impression that proficiency in games is one of the most important things in life.

On the contrary it is immeasurably more important that you should, each one of you, acquire the habits of discipline and self-control and of willingness to devote yourselves and your lives to the service of others who are less fortunately placed than you are.

By discipline I do not mean a mere grudging compliance with the rules of the school or with the behests of

your teachers or parents but a real and serious attempt to realise that, in trying to mould your character and manners (in order to make you worthy members of the community), they are acting not for their own good but for yours.

In regard service for others, I am very glad to learn from the headmaster that many of you are members of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Associations and of the Ministering Children's League, and I hope that, when you get older, you will join the St. John Ambulance Brigade, which does such excellent and unselfish work in this Colony.

Unselfish and whole-hearted service for the good of others is by far the most important rule of conduct for you to adopt and to practice consistently and constantly in your daily lives.

Upon you boys and girls of the rising generation a great trust is laid. May it be your duty and your pleasure to bear aloft the torch of unselfish service for others and to carry it forward steadily, ever onwards and upwards, throughout the years to come. (Applause.)

Sir Henry then presented the awards as given below.

The Prize List. Government Scholarship.—Form 6, M. Shand; Form 5, W. Clague; Form 4, M. Lloyd; Form 3, J. Hale; Form 2, Y. Shaw; Form 1, Y. Blackmore. D. D. P. Award. Layard Scholarship, 1938.—P. Morton. Duck Company Scholarship, 1938.—Joan Milward, C. Scott. Ezra Abraham Scholarship.—W. Gegg. War Memorial Prize.—W. Gegg. W. Pryde. Best all rounders.—W. Gegg, Helen Sanger.

Cambridge School Examination Certificate, 1938.—W. G. Pryde, June Booker, Marjorie Booker, Grace Darby, Jenny Fehlow, Marianne Hill, Dorcas Robertson.

Education Department School Certificate, 1938.—M. Grant, T. Lockhart, E. Maycock, A. Odell, C. Semmehmann, D. Wilson, Elizabeth Andrews, P. Derahm, Marion Gladshaw, Jean Ewing, B. Fehlowfield, Zena Mansell, Mary Parsons, Patricia Paveo, Helen Sanger, Mona Shand, Patricia Turnbull, Dorothy Watson. Special Prize for Cover Design for Magazine.—J. Rousseau.

Form English and Mathematics prizes respectively were won as follows: Form 6.—William Pryde, Marianne Hill, William Pryde. Form 5.—Patricia Paveo, Zena Mansell, Merlyn Grant. Form 4.—Vera Sissons, Vera Sissons. Form 3.—Doris Booker, William Lloyd, Denis Booker, Helen Tracy, Mary Horwood, Joan Hale. Form 2.—Mary Gardner, Yvonne Shaw, Mary Gardner. Form 1.—Ronald Cameron, Yvonne Blackmore, James Webster.

History and Geography.—Annie Smith (Upper), Denis Padgett (Lower). French.—James Clague (Upper), William Lanchester (Lower). Domestic Science.—Mona Shand (Upper), Jean Hale (Lower). French.—William Lloyd (Upper), Denis Padgett (Lower).

Drawing.—Dorothy Watson (Upper), Joyce Ferguson (Lower). Cookery.—Dorothy Watson (Upper), Joyce Ferguson (Lower).

Hongkong University Matriculation.—P. Morton. Special Prize for Magazine.—R. Labrum, Shirley Wilke.

The Loloma Kindergarten will be holding a Christmas Festival on Tuesday, December 20, at 3.45 p.m.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Frederico Desiderio Franco, clerk, and Miss Helen Wong, of 141 Wongchong Road; and Mr. Lam Wing-hung, editor of the Wah Kiu Yat Po, and Miss Kwok Wai-han, of 78 Wai Ching Street, Yau-mai.

The National Red Cross Society of China will show this evening at 8.30 at the St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Taihang Road (kindly lent by Mr. A. Morris), a film depicting the work of the Red Cross held traits at the front. Members of local relief organisations are invited to be present.

Mr. G. H. Vinnall left Kobe on Friday, December 9 on the Empress of Russia to meet Mrs. Vinnall, who is returning from England, in Hongkong. They expect to return to Kobe at the end of December but will soon thereafter leave for Yokohama where Mr. Vinnall will have charge of the work of the reorganised and united British and American Bible Society.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS Donation Received For Lepers' Christmas The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Lepers' Christmas Fund: Previously acknowledged \$40. T. C. A. \$5.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Society for the Protection of Children: Moira Patey, \$5.

DONATIONS AWAITING Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following: Chinese Soldiers' War Relief; Social Service of the Churches; Emergency Refugee Council; B.F.R. D.C.; Tung Wah Hospital; St. Vincent de Paul.

Fancy Dress Party

Gay Function Planned At Y.M.C.A.

The Children's Fancy Dress Party, which was to have been held at the China Fleet Club, has been cancelled, owing to a lack of support. Instead, another will be held at the Young Men's Christian Association, Kowloon, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on December 20.

There will be clowns, Mickey Mouse cinema, lucky dips, fish ponds, raffles, and all the fun of the fair, so that an enjoyable afternoon is promised for the kiddies.

By the generosity of local firms, attractive prizes are offered for the various competitions. These include: toys, books, fountain pens, a tennis racket, silver wrist watch, toilet requisites, confectionery, and so on.

Tickets at \$1.50, which includes tea, may be purchased at Messrs. Messam, Company, Mountie's, Tsang Fook Piano Company, and the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Kowloon.

A special feature will be a photographer, who will attend during the afternoon to "snap" each child in fancy costume.

The proceeds of the party will be donated to the fund for Chinese refugee children. The Committee in charge of the party are as follows: Mesdames, N. L. Smith, Pritchard, S. Howard, R. Shim, S. D. Berg, W. S. T. Louey, Bayley and A. J. Whitmore, and the Hon. Treasurers are Messrs. Thomson & Co., Chartered Accountants.

AIR RAID WARDENS

Course of Instruction Completed

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that the first course of instruction for the Air Raid Wardens held at the Headquarters of the Emergency Unit Reserve (Police) has been completed. Arrangements have been made for the members who attend this course to take their examination at St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill, (by kind permission of Mr. Stewart, Headmaster).

The dates and times of the examination are as given hereunder: December 16, at 5.30 p.m.—Personal Protection against gas. (A.R.P. Handbook No. 1).

December 16, 9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.—First Aid for Gas Casualties (A.R.P. Handbook No. 2).

December 16, 11.10 a.m. to 1.10 p.m.—The duties of Air Raid Wardens etc. (A.R.P. Handbook No. 8). Candidates obtaining 75 per cent. marks in each of the examination papers will be issued by Government with an Air Raid Warden's Certificate, together with an Air Raid Precautions Badge, thus qualifying for the duties of an Air Raid Warden.

SUNDAY RECITAL "Messiah" at Hongkong Union Church Evening Service at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, on Sunday, December 18, will take the form of a recital of music and solos from "The Messiah." Mr. G. E. Longyear will be at the organ, and the following artists have very kindly given their services:—Miss Eva Turner, Mrs. Helen Lockhart, Dr. L. T. Ride, Violin and Cello, Miss Frue, and Mrs. A. E. Fellgett. The programme is as follows: Comfort Ye, Tenor. O Thou that Tellect, Contralto. Sonata No. 4, Violin. Largo, Organ, Violin and Cello. Rejoice Greatly, Soprano. Kol Nedrei, Cello. He shall feed His Flock, Contralto. Come unto Me, Soprano. Behold I tell you a mystery, Bass. The trumpet shall sound, Bass.

WALLET DISAPPEARS Merchant Reports Loss Of \$800 Reaching into his pocket for money to buy a bus ticket yesterday, R. H. Elias, 68, Macao merchant, found that his wallet, containing \$800, was missing. He reported to the police that he had either lost his wallet or it had been stolen from him between China Building and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

The theft of a jewel case was reported by Miss Dawbign. Her case, which contained a gold brooch, one gold and one silver ring, three necklaces, and a plain gold cross, of a total value of \$107, disappeared from her car when it was parked either near the Queen's Theatre or in Stubbs Road on December 14.

On December 13, in the Central District, Mrs. Allan Noble, of Repulse Bay Hotel, lost a silver powder compact embossed with a naval crown. She values it at \$120.

NEW CONSUL GENERAL Mr. A. Tajiri, new Japanese Consul General in Hongkong, was received by H.E. the Governor at Government House at 11 a.m. yesterday. Mr. T. Nakamura, retiring Consul General, accompanied his successor.

JAPANESE BUDGET

Admiralty Announces New Estimates.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

The Ministry of Navy to-day made public details of its estimates for the 1939-40 fiscal year which amount to Yen 653,941,000, including Yen 207,215,000 in the ordinary account and Yen 360,726,000 in the extraordinary account. The sum total shows a decrease of Yen 20,440,000 as compared with that for the current fiscal year.

Major items in the increases in the basic estimates totalling Yen 48,053,000, include Yen 10,329,000 for the maintenance of new warships, Yen 3,001,000 for increasing the personnel, naval arsenals and other establishments, Yen 2,833,000 for replenishing the complement of warships, Yen 609,000 for the maintenance of aircraft, and Yen 142,000 for the maintenance of air force.

The new demands in the Naval estimates amounting to Yen 69,000,000, include the following appropriations:—Yen 4,647,000 for the establishment of defence forces, Yen 6,008,000 for the establishment of new offices of operation and supply departments, Yen 646,000 for the establishment of flying corps, Yen 7,832,000 for the improving of equipment of warships, Yen 700,000 for the construction of miscellaneous ships for temporary use, Yen 5,524,000 for the replenishment of munitions, Yen 4,006,000 for researches in arms and others, and Yen 180,000 for the despatch of warships to the North Seas.—Domest.

Finance Minister Speaks

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

Seeking understandings of political parties the Finance Minister Mr. Seikin Ikeda, explained the Government's Budget for 1939-40 at the preliminary budget committee meeting yesterday.

Mr. Ikeda stated that the extra-profit duty and commodity tax will be increased and the proceeds will be earmarked for the special account in connection with the China Incident.

Extreme economy is enforced by various Departments, Mr. Ikeda said, but new demands in connection with the China Incident have been accepted, which include Yen 160,000,000 for the readjustment of the demand and supply of commodities and the relief of families of soldiers and sailors called to the front. Yen 10,000,000 for the promotion of overseas trade, Yen 50,000,000 for the expansion of the productive capacity of industries, Yen 24,000,000 for developing civil aviation, Yen 20,000,000 for developing horse breeding, Yen 23,000,000 for encouraging mass emigration to Manchukuo and Yen 9,000,000 for river conservancy.

Absorption of Bonds. Turning to the absorption of Government bonds, Mr. Ikeda said that Yen 3,400,000,000 out of the scheduled issue of Yen 6,628,000,000 of Government bonds has already been issued and smoothly absorbed.

Mr. Ikeda proposed to pursue a threefold policy in taxation:—Firstly, a wholesale reform of the taxation system will be reserved for the fiscal year of 1940-41 instead of for the next fiscal year; secondly, extra-profit duty and commodity tax will be increased and thirdly, the taxation system will be revised with a view to developing industries.

In connection with the shipment of Yen 800,000,000 worth of gold specie abroad last year, Mr. Ikeda said that the gold shipments abroad, this year, show a remarkable decrease as compared with last year, but that they still show a considerably high amount.—Domest.

ENCOURAGE TRADE

Utilisation of Foreign Exchange Fund

Tokyo, Dec. 15. With a view to encouraging foreign trade transactions the Bank of Japan is now contemplating relaxing the existing terms for the utilisation of foreign exchange funds, established in July of this year, by transferring Yen 300,000,000 from special reserves.

It is understood that the relaxation will be effected on set lines. Firstly, the redemption term will be extended from four to six months. Secondly, utilisation of the foreign exchange fund hitherto limited to spot transactions, will be extended in the case of the conclusion of import contracts or of contracts for the holding of foreign securities.

Thirdly, the interest rate on advances from the foreign exchange funds will be reduced to 1.5 or 2 per cent from the present rate of 2.5 per cent.

Final decision is expected to be made by the Bank of Japan as soon as consultations are completed with the Ministry of Finance.—Domest.

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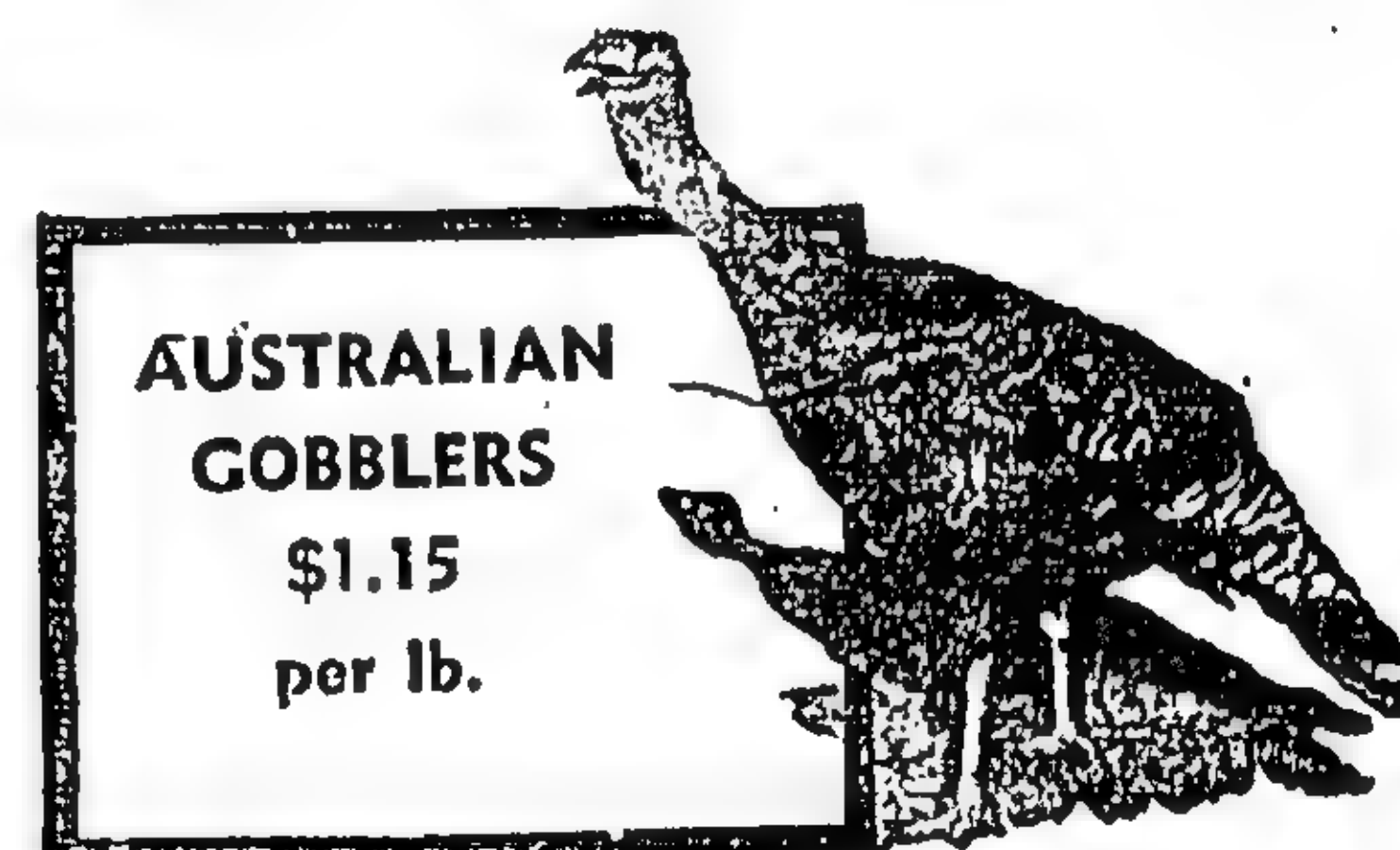
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1938 FLAT RACING SEASON CONCLUDES TO-MORROW

THREE AUTUMN CHAMPIONS FOR THE LAST MEET

SILKYLIGHT SEEMS SURE OF DUPLICATING ITS ST. LEGER SUCCESS

(By "Captain Foster")

There will be no more flat racing for the season after to-morrow when the last Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged at Happy Valley. The first saddling will be at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

We will then have to exercise patience until the Annual Carnival in February and there is no doubt that it will be a big affair. Training among the new batch of 1939 Australian ponies is now in full swing. Some anxiety was at one time felt by the Hongkong Jockey Club about the delivery of the China ponies for 1939 Annual Race Meeting owing to political hostilities, but the kindness of the Government has arrived and the programme for the carnival will not have to be curtailed.

Three Autumn champions over one and a quarter miles, confined to China ponies, Australian ponies of any season and China ponies sub-griffins of this year, feature to-morrow's programme. Attention of owners is drawn to the fact that nominations for the above three classes are post entries and it is essential that they be declared in writing as starters by putting their names in the declaration box in the usual manner. The other five minor contests are more or less consolation events confined to ponies of the Australian and China classes that have not won more than \$1,000 in stakes since January 1, and this has precluded several public favourites from donning the silk to-morrow.

It would, however, give a false colouring should I attempt to suggest that there will be no opposition in the three classic fights, but the convincing manner in which Silky-light annexed the Hongkong St. Leger run about a month ago, argues very much in favour of his chance of duplicating the success in the Hongkong Autumn Champions. The prospect is further enhanced by the presence of Mr. R. B. Moller who, it is learned, will be coming down to pilot the triple-crown winner. I said nice things about Mrs. J. H. Tangart's Lancashire Chips in my nomination to-morrow has a stiff proposition in Courtling Eve, belonging to Mr. Li Lan-sang, in the Queensland Autumn Champions. I am not, however, too sanguine that Salvage Master, owned by the stable "Wong Sui Ngau", will have an easy sailing in the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions, for the mare did not please the rail critics in her try-out last Saturday morning.

ENCARNACAO LEADS JOCKEY LIST AT PRESENT

I do not propose at this juncture to review the 1938 racing season, but it must be admitted that the Hongkong Jockey Club has had a very successful year. The presence of several good northern jockeys has contributed in no small measure to the success of our extra meetings, coupled with the remarkable sunshine weather we have had for the second half racing season. The curtain will be dropped to-morrow and it looks to me that Mr. C. Encarnacao will be the champion jockey.

Hereunder is a list showing the position of those jockeys who have won wins and over during the season:

Jockey	Wins	2nds	3rds
C. Encarnacao	24	18	17
A. W. Raymond	23	17	8
V. V. Needa	20	12	14
B. A. Proulx	18	9	15
H. C. Pih	16	15	10
S. C. Liang	13	14	10
D. Black	11	7	8
P. Y. T. Wei	11	4	8
L. B. Chao	10	11	6

By scoring a "hat-trick" in Macao last Sunday, Mr. A. W. Raymond has improved his position and should give the leader a good run for the honour. A win for Mr. Raymond will result in a tie.

OPENING EVENT

Bear Claw Only Old-Timer In Race

Punters should be present to see the opening event, the Hongkong Autumn Champions confined to China ponies over 1 1/4 miles, and I am certain that it will be the best contest of the afternoon. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys:

Bear Claw	S. W. Tang
Cameronian	C. Encarnacao
Confusion Bay	H. J. Hearne
Expression Time	V. V. Needa
Silkylight	R. B. Moller

Bear Claw is the only old-timer against the youngsters of this year and it seems to me that he is going out to pace his stable mate Confusion Bay.

However, in a race such as the Hongkong Autumn Champions for the best China ponies, I am not prepared to delve into the pros and cons of all the entries, but my fancy is Silky-light with Confusion Bay and Expression Time to fill the other two places. Confusion Bay may or may not be a better animal, but I have my own opinion and I stand by my own conviction.

Able Amazon Given Top Weight Here

The Laggards' Handicap over a mile for Australian ponies that have not won more than \$1,000 has drawn only a handful of entries. Able Amazon holds the post of honour with 108 lbs. to carry and I think the mare has a good sporting chance of collecting the first prize. Derby Day and Ranger are nicely weighted, the latter looking extremely well.

Rose Jane Good Bet In Tardy H'Cap

There were two divisions among the "C" raters of China ponies at the last meeting, but to-morrow the Tardy Handicap over a mile has only three first section runners. Lucky, who finished second behind Tampa Bay (the latter eventually disqualified for bumping), has been penalised 15 lbs. and this, I am afraid, may hinder his chance. This stallion is owned by Mr. Eu Tong-sen who has another two nominations in Rose Jane and Rose Queen. I have not been able to discover which steed will be the mount of my potential champion jockey, but Rose Jane is a good bet to have your money on. The latter mare ran a good race behind Rose Evelyn (winner) and Soldier of China in the Portobello Handicap and it will be recalled that the time of the second section was faster than the first division. Jungle Jim seems to be in better condition, but the guy is not the same fellow of his prime. Night View is handy at 140 lbs and may upset the applecart.

Courting Eve Should Win Aussie Race

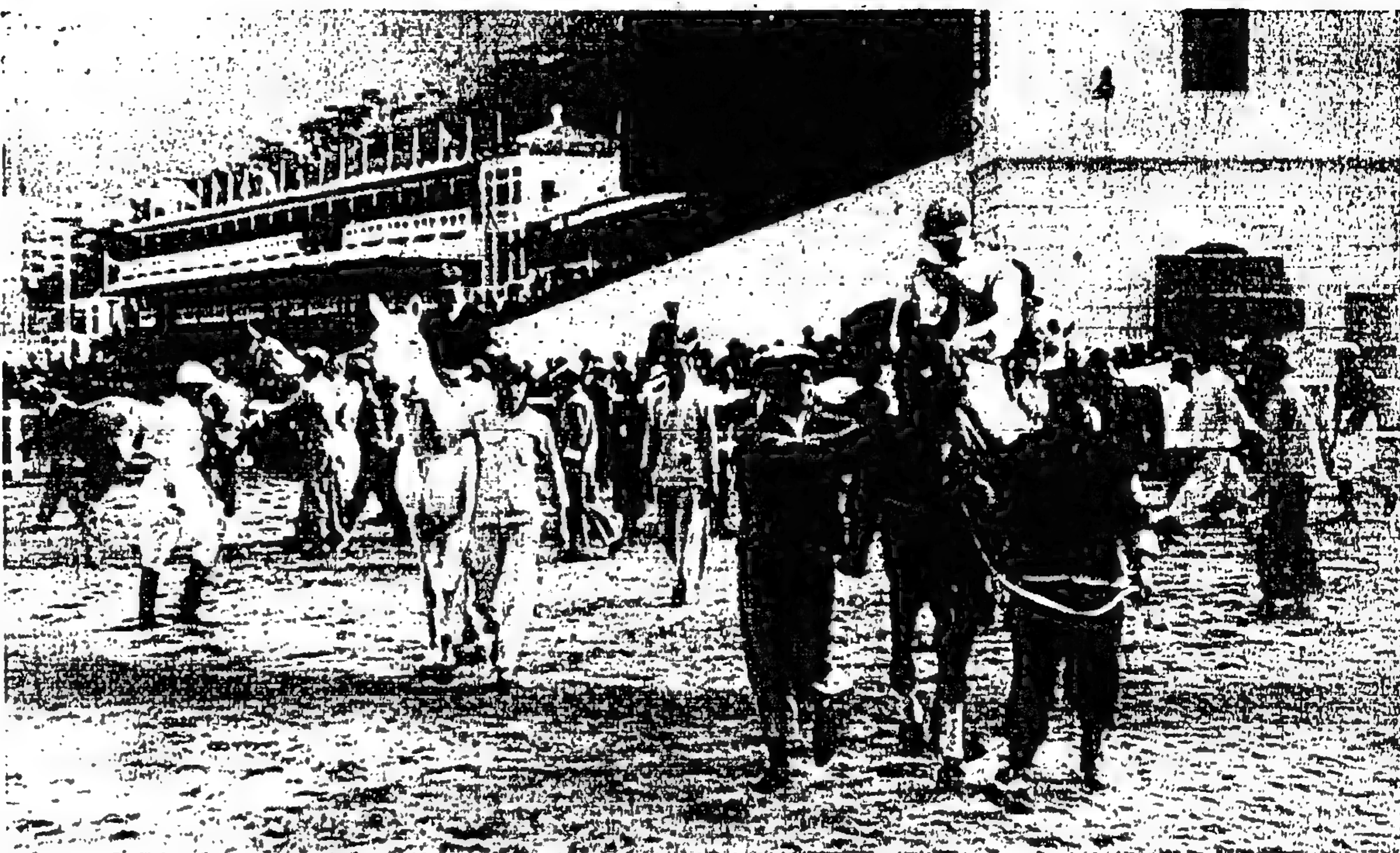
The following undermentioned Australian ponies,

Centre Court	to be ridden by
Courting Eve	do
Lancashire Chips	do
Lucky Lad	do
Snowy River	do
Strathroy	do

are likely to weigh out for the Queensland Autumn Champions over a course of 1 1/4 miles, but I cannot advocate the claims of any pony to beat Courting Eve. With due respect to the capability to Landau respect to a racer, I am afraid that Courting Eve has not the distance and furthermore Mrs. Taggart's candidate has not a pull in the matter of poundage. In his last outing when he trounced Courting Eve, Lancashire Chips was in receipt of 13 lbs. whereas to-morrow Mr. Proulx is to tip the scale at 152 lbs. and Mr. Pih has to draw only 155 lbs. The form book shows that Courting Eve has always been over a stone better than Lancashire Chips and the possibility of reversing the handicapper's distribution of the lead is very remote. The champion, Strathroy, appears to be in the pink of condition and he and Centre Court should be in the lime-light at the finish. The Fremantle St. Leger winner, Lucky Lad, with Vic Needa in the saddle will make his debut among the "A" class runners, but his chance of a place is like a camel passing the eye of a needle.

DOUBLE CHANCE INCURS PENALTY OF SEVEN POUNDS

By virtue of his win in Macao, Major Oliver's Double Chance has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. in the Diakory Handicap for "D" class raters over a mile, and incidentally



A scene at the paddock during saddling time in the St. Andrew's Stakes at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley. The pony on the right is Mrs. Dunbar's Red Feather, winner of the event, with Mr. P. Y. T. Wei up, and at left is Cossack's Beauty, with Mr. Y. T. Fung in the saddle.—Pictorial News.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The "Telegraph" forecast on Home Football matches scored again last week. Eight teams were specially picked out to win at home, and they all did!

The following are the teams selected to win in to-morrow's programme:

HOME WINNERS

Arsenal
Brentford
Everton
Blackburn
Manchester C.
West Ham
Celtic
Kilmarnock

OPTIONAL SELECTIONS

Chesterfield
Crystal Pal.
Doncaster R.
Gateshead

this event will be the first leg of the daily double. It is, however, to be regretted that the list of entries is not much longer, but, owing to the mediocre class of animals, the puzzle is that everyone has an equal chance. It looks that the winner is to be found among the low weighters, such as Diogenes, Ebony and Flybynight, the last being the cream. In the middle of the assessment, Plain View should have

Mr. S. W. Tang
Mr. H. C. Pih
Mr. B. C. Proulx
Mr. V. V. Needa
Mr. A. W. Raymond
Mr. A. F. D. Colson

some say, but Royal Highness and Tiny Star have some tons to carry and both of them do not seem to be in good condition.

Dekko Tipped For Autumn Champions

Good Run Made In Morning Gallop

The conditions of the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions are for China ponies that have started in at least three extra meetings and the winner is to receive \$1,000. Cuban Love, Dekko, Easy Time, Fel Ying, Golden Cow, Lancashire Chap, National Guard, Piet Hein, Salvage Master, Smiling Thru, Split Hand, The Leopard, Tribute and Wenning are eligible for the last classic of the season, and I doubt all will face the start. The likely starters with their respective jockeys are as follows:

Dekko	H. P. Chanson
Fel Ying	A. W. Raymond
National Guard	S. W. Tang
Piet Hein	H. C. Pih
Salvage Master	B. L. Tao
Tribute	S. L. Yuen
Wenning	L. Wade

Louis XIV is ineligible owing to the fact that he has started only twice after the Annual Carnival and

F. A. CUP RE-PLAY RESULTS

Three More Teams In Third Round

London, Dec. 15.
Stockport, Chester and Yeovil and Potters were the successful teams in the Second Round re-play in the F. A. Cup to-day. The following were the results:

Walthamstow	1	Stockport	3
Hull	0	Chester	1
Yeovil & Potters	1	Folkestone	0

—Reuter.

Golden Cow is definitely not accepting.

From the entries, the issue is between Dekko and Salvage Master, and Piet Hein has a sporting chance of a place in the lowest position. In the book form, Salvage Master (the winner of Sub-griffins St. Leger) should walk away with it, but it seems to me that the mare is not well-kept for the event while Dekko impressed me in his try-out last Saturday. There is no better time recorder than a stopwatch, but it does not give you all the necessary information. Salvage Master went over the full distance last Saturday in 3.00.4/5 while Dekko covered the same course in 2.54.3/5. Comparing the training times returned by Salvage Master and Dekko over the week end, the latter's figure was faster than Salvage Master's time by six one-fifth seconds, but what weights did they carry? As said, I was very much impressed with the finish of Dekko in the home run and I therefore give him my vote to be followed by Salvage Master and Piet Hein.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

There is a short list of only eight nominations for the second leg of the daily double and I cannot see anything to touch A Great Time in the Last Chance Handicap for a mile. It is almost a dead certainty that Dekko is not a miler, but the junk is just right for Violet Queen. Cape York is a moody animal and he has the lowest impost to shoulder. He put up a fast three-quarters of a mile last Wednesday, covering the length in 1.20.1/5 and it would be advisable not to overlook him. For a long shot, Cape York is worth the investment of \$5 each way.

LAST EVENT

The Finale Handicap for "E" class China ponies over a mile will close the second half racing season. Stylic, who won a race in Macao last Sunday has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. and we can therefore leave him out of the reckoning. Wenning may start in the champion classic, but should he weigh out here, he and Easy Time should be joint favourites. Tabby Cat is due for a win, but be careful with Sea Dragon who is in the right class.

RIDING TEST ON SUNDAY

Since writing the above I have been informed that the riding test of the subscription griffins will take place at the Racecourse on Sunday, December 18, at 7.30 a.m. The draw for the ponies finally accepted by the Stewards will be held in the Administration Block at the Stables on Monday, December 19, at 5 p.m. sharp.

Here And There With "Abe"

STANDARD OF WOMEN'S TENNIS DETERIORATES

CONSIDERING the fact that it was a semi-final tie, the match between Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Tracey, on one side, and Mrs. Burnett and Miss Violet Bradbury, on the other, in the Ladies' Doubles tennis championship of the Colony, played at the United Services R.C. on Wednesday, was extremely disappointing. The standard of play was poor and the monotony of the exchanges, with both pairs hugging the base-lines, was unrelieved by a volley or a smash. Whilst watching the match, one even had the time to ponder over the state of women's tennis in the Colony at the present moment and rather reluctantly one had to admit that it was the standard of semi-finalists, then ladies' tennis in Hongkong has indeed sadly deteriorated.

In view of the commendable spirit in which most of the ladies joined the competition, it would be churlish to criticise their lack of skill; but inevitably one compares them with players of not so long ago who added lustre to the game here. One recalls Mrs. Tottenham, Miss End Lo (now Mrs. Littton), Mrs. Kayll, Mrs. James, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Rosamund Hancock—all these and others were a cut above the present-day players. One even doubts whether Miss Rose Perry, who won all three titles—the singles, doubles and mixed doubles—for which she competed, would have been able to hold her own against any one of these I have named.

They Come—And Go

MRS. LITTON and Miss Hancock and Miss Perry are local products; the others were here because their husbands were stationed or working in the Colony. During their sojourn here, they raised the standard of play in the tournaments, and when their husbands left, they went away with them, leaving us the poorer. Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. Littton provided many a fine match in the Colony championship, and then Mrs. Kayll set a new standard for women in Hongkong as regards mixed doubles play. She and "Lolly" Goldman were an unbeatable pair in the League, and their success was as much due to her hard hitting as to his skill. Then we had Mrs. Nora Wilson, small in stature but a giant in strength, who at her best was undoubtedly the best lady player in the Colony. Miss Hancock was unfortunate in that she belonged to the same generation (in tennis ability) as Mrs. Wilson, but if she was often over-shadowed, one always realised and appreciated her ability.

The Present Ones

WHO of the present lot can lay claim to being as good as those already named? I am afraid none can. Of all those in the tournament, the only one who could be compared was Mrs. Clifford, wife of Commander Clifford; but she had to go north recently before completing her matches. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, who have already reached the semi-finals of the doubles, seem to me to be the best of a rather weak bunch; and though they have yet to play Miss P. Anderson and Miss Yeung Wai-bun, I

Badminton

ST. JOHN'S CONTINUES GOOD FORM

S. And S. Home Loses Nine-Nil

On Wednesday, St. John's Cathedral won another match in the "B" Division of the Badminton League, defeating the S. and S. Home by 9-0. Scores:

F. H. Kwok and R. Beavan (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-4; beat Walker and Thorn 21-5.

D. Kwok and S. Newman (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-8; beat Walker and Thorn 21-9.

N. Smith and G. Ladd (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-18; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-3; beat Walker and Thorn 21-8.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Two matches will be played in the Mixed Doubles League this evening, the programme being:

*Talkoo v. St. John's University
*Venue changed at request of Talkoo.

CLOSE RUGBY LEAGUE WIN

London, Dec. 15.
A close victory was scored by Wigan over Barrow in the Rugby League to-day, the scores being eight points to seven.—Reuter.

opposition generally considered weak, they have been conceded a great chance of winning the championship at long last. Last week-end, they were to have played Paul Kong and Miss Loo in the quarter-finals, but on the day of the match Runjahn developed a bad foot, and as a result he and his partner had to give a walk-over to their opponents. Bad luck, "H.D."

Boon's Chance

ERIC (Boy) Boon, one of the National Sporting Club's greatest hopefuls, has his big chance when he meets Dave Crowley for the British lightweight boxing title. Known as "Sonny" to his friends and to the 5,000 inhabitants of his native Cambridgeshire village of Chatteris, blue-eyed, ruddy complexioned Boon has been fighting for six years. At the age of 12, he was beating boys much older than himself. Before he was 16, he had fought 40 times and won mostly on knock-outs. Until this year he continued working in his father's forge, when he reckons he got his powerful punch; and it is his exceptional punching ability that he is banking on in his bout with Crowley. That he has the punch to knock out Crowley seems to be generally admitted, but it is considered doubtful whether he is capable of meeting the necessary openings against the experienced ring-craft of Crowley, whose bobbing, weaving and non-stop methods make him a difficult target.

Honour For Butler

D. W. BUTLER has accepted the invitation to captain the British team to visit South Africa.



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Kensuke Horinouchi and his wife are shown in Tokyo as they arrived in Washington, where Mr. Horinouchi has taken up his duties as the new Ambassador to the United States. He succeeds Hiroshi Satou, ill for several months, who was recalled to Japan.

Works 13½ Hours A Day — Wages Are 7/- A Week

Mr. John Henry Mark Fane, formerly 2nd lieutenant in the Green Howards, is working as a waiter in the Berkeley Hotel, Mayfair, earning 7s. a week and tips.

Twenty-one years of age, he decided a few weeks ago that he would prefer a business life. He discussed the question with his mother, the Hon. Mrs. H. N. Fane.

"She suggested I should go into hotel work," said Mr. Fane, "and next day I went round to the Quo Vadis Restaurant in Dean-street, and Leon gave me a job."

After two months he went to the Berkeley. Every other morning he goes to work at 9.30, and he and a young Italian, Lino Badini, wash up 750 plates and carry them from the scullery to the restaurant.

Then, from 12.30 until 3 p.m., Mr. Fane waits at table with a

white apron over his dress suit and a napkin tucked under his left arm. He has a break until 6 p.m., then goes on duty again until 2 in the morning—a 13½-hour day.

"HE IS WILLING"

On alternate days his hours are noon till 6, and 7 till 10. He has every other Saturday and every other Sunday off, and on the Sundays when he works he has the afternoon off.

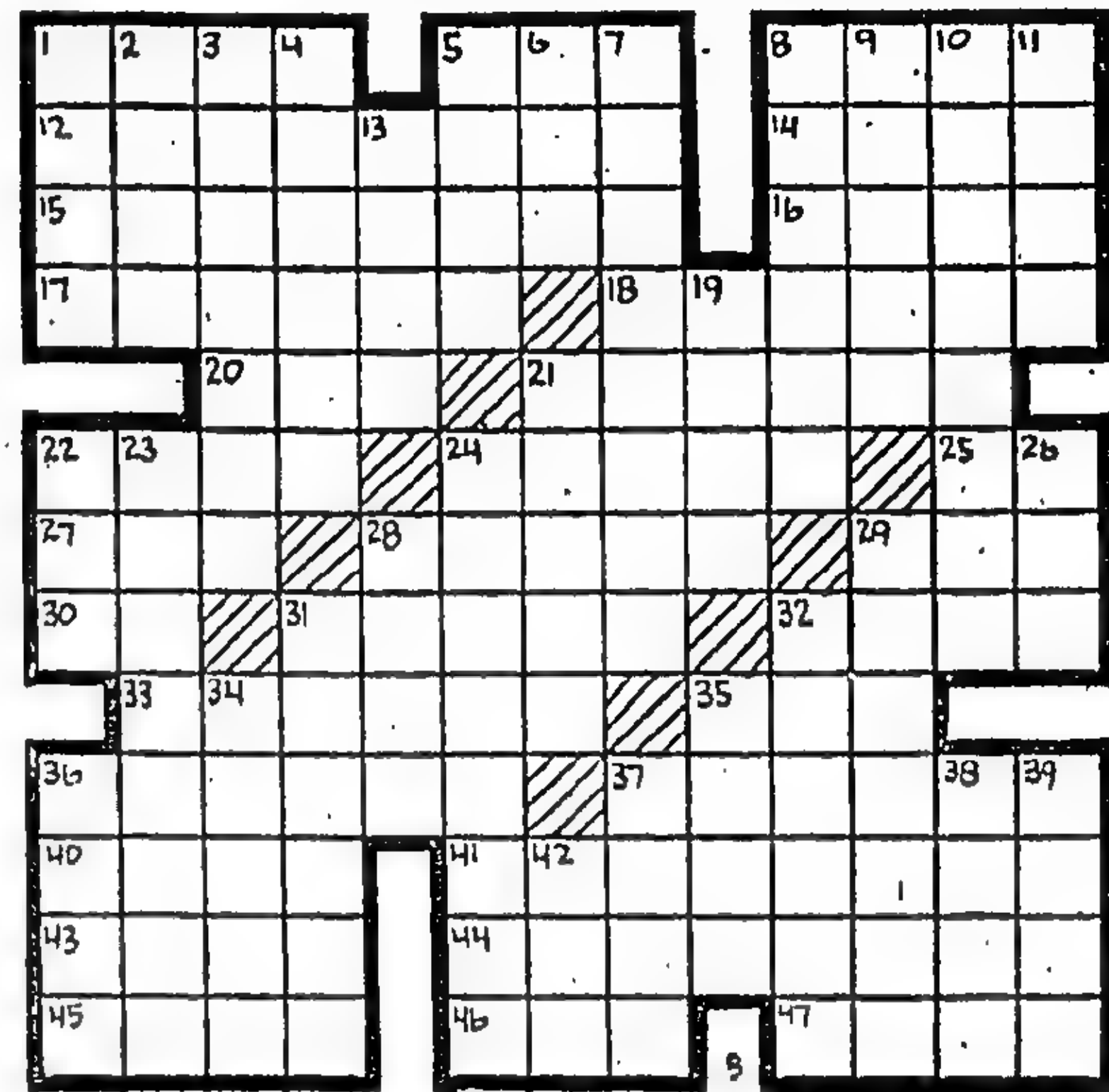
Leon, proprietor of the Quo Vadis, said:

"Mr. Fane said he wanted to go into the business seriously. He is a good waiter. He is willing, and he does not mind starting at the bottom. He will be a big hotel manager

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Support for balls
2—Woman named
3—Nation with a
4—Famous chess
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one day. He will go to Germany and France and Italy later and learn the business there—and the languages. That will be necessary to him."

One of Mr. Fane's first customers was his grandfather, Lord Clinton, a Privy Counsellor and Keeper of the Privy Seal to the Prince of Wales from 1913 to 1933.

"A DECENT TIP"

"I think grandfather rather enjoyed it," Mr. Fane said. "He knew, of course, what I was doing—the whole family knew. Anyway, he didn't make any complaints, and he gave me a tip afterwards—quite a decent one."

"When I've served my time as a waiter I shall go into the kitchen. Then I expect I'll go into the office to learn control, and I shall also have to be a receptionist."

"It will probably be seven years before I am qualified to become a manager."

Mr. Fane's mother is a daughter of Lord Clinton. Her sister Fenella married in 1914 the Hon. John Herbert Bowes-Lyon, second son of the fourteenth Earl of Strathmore, and brother of the Queen.



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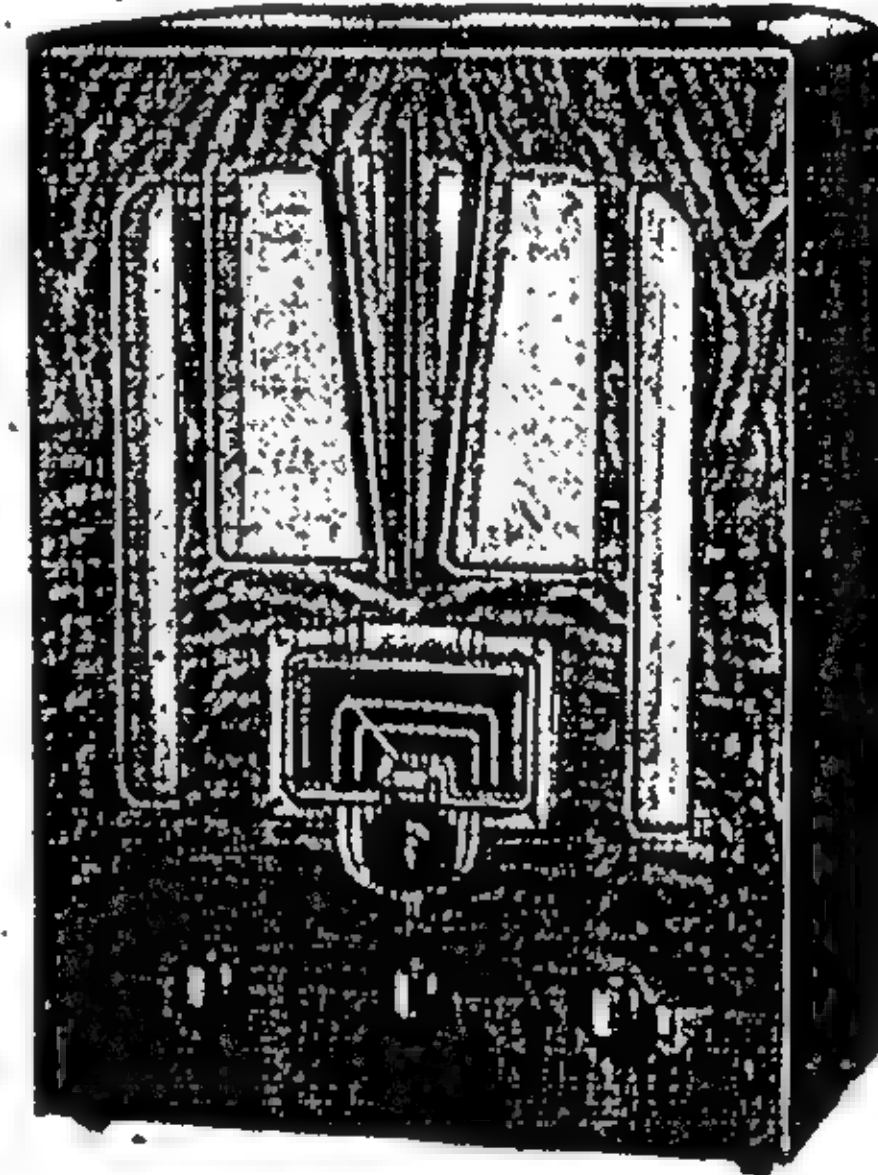
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Arrogant and sneering, at left is Robert Irwin, confessed
slayer of Veronica Gordon, and at right, two others, as he
arrived in court in New York to stand trial for the murder of
Frank Byrnes.

GIRL PLEADS FOR EXILED FIANCÉ

A pretty brunette, secretary to a major living in the West
End, pleaded with Mr. L. R. Ruane, the Marylebone magistrate,
not to send to prison a young Russian exile whom she was anxious
to marry.

Her plea failed.

Mr. Dunne said that the exile,
Nicholas Sideroff, 23, member of a
once wealthy Russian family, had "a
spoiled past," and sent him to prison
for two months for contravening the
Aliens Order by landing without
permission.

Detective-Sergeant Bray said that
as the result of his inquiries Paris
had notified Scotland Yard that
Sideroff had five previous convictions,
including a sentence of 15
months in Paris on February 3, 1936,
for stealing and infraction of a decree
of expulsion.

"GAMBLER"

His inquiries in London showed no
redeeming feature in Sideroff's
general character.

Mr. Dunne said he understood that
the only criticism of Sideroff's character
was that he was a gambler.

Sergeant Bray alleged that when
Sideroff's mother was interviewed at
her home in the South of France, she
had replied: "I have no son named
Nicholas."

Mr. Griffith Jones, defending, said
that Sideroff had knowledge of only
two convictions in France.

"In 1932, after completing his
schooling in France," said Mr. Jones,
"Sideroff found himself without
money."

"He stowed himself away in a
ship and got to America."

"He was sent back, and that was
probably how one of the other convictions
occurred. He also stowed
away on a later occasion for the
same reason."

In 1933, he went to Russia to try to
find his father and in the forlorn
hope that there was something of
the family possessions left there.
His League of Nations passport
was retained by the authorities and

he escaped from the country after
three vain attempts.

Arriving back in France after considerable
hardship, he found himself,
at the age of 18 or 19, completely
destitute.

In August, 1935, he met Miss Stiel-
la Edith Clive and fell in love with
her. Her employer, Major Gilliam,
of Seymour Street, W., was prepared
to give Sideroff a job so that they
could marry.

Mr. Griffith Jones said that Sideroff's
mother was anxious to lend her
son every assistance.

Miss Clive then came forward and
said she was anxious to marry Sideroff
as soon as this matter was over.
They could not have the wedding
until his identity was established.

Mr. Dunne, passing sentence, said
Sideroff could not be dealt with as a
person with an unblemished reputation.
He hoped that Major Gilliam
would employ Sideroff on his release.

Must Not Play The "Lambeth Walk"

Billy Thorburn, who with his band
was at a London theatre recently,
has been stopped from playing the
"Lambeth Walk."

"I feel rather sore about it because
I first put it on the air and made it
popular," Billy said.

"I have had a solicitor's letter
warning me not to play it, although
when I phoned the publishers they
said I could carry on with it. The
Performing Rights Society also said
I could, but in view of the legal step
the theatre authorities consider it
ought to be dropped."

Lupino Lane, star and promoter of
the "Me and My Girl" show, said:
"There is nothing at all to prevent
dance bands playing the 'Lambeth
Walk' as long as they don't make a
stage act of it."

"BETTER DIET, NOT BIRTH CONTROL, INDIA'S NEED"

Poona. Conditions in India do not demand
any measure by way of limitation of
population. India's production of
food and of other articles supplied for
human consumption is far ahead of
the rate of growth of the population.
The rate of increase in the population
of India is not so much as to call
for any limitation thereof.

Thus observed Dr. M. D. Gilder,
Minister for Health, opposing the
resolution in favour of birth-control in
the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

Citing statistics, Dr. Gilder pointed
out that 4.2 children per family was
India's average. He asked "Do you
want to limit it further?" Dr. Gilder
stated that India's real problem was
nutrition and want of proper diet.

The resolution was defeated by 49
votes to 10.

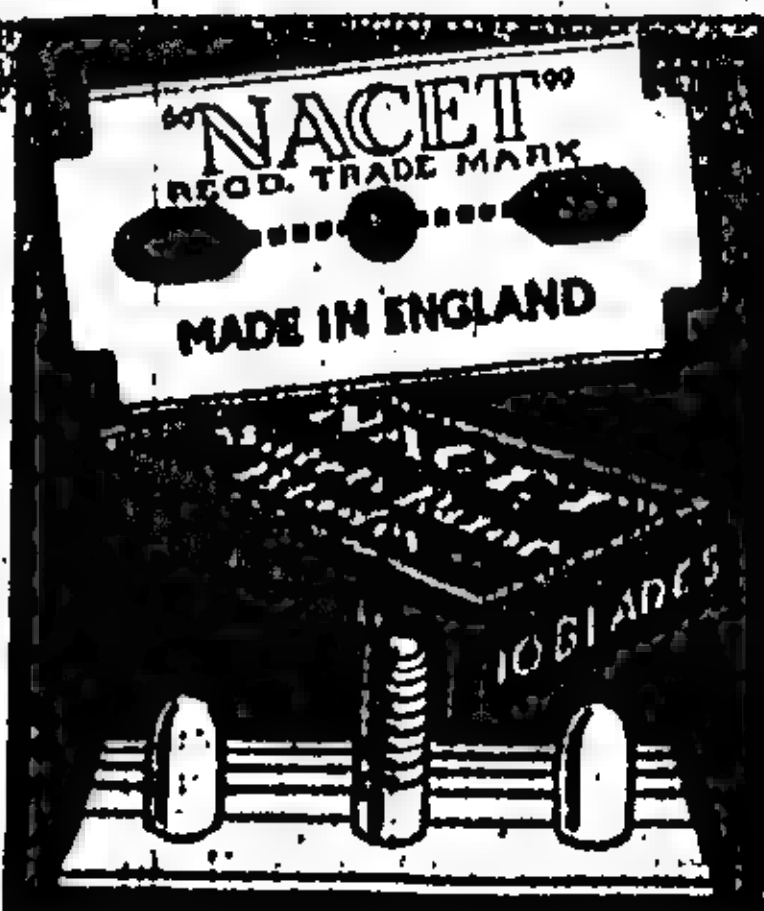
Moved by Mr. P. J. Roham, the
resolution which urged the Govern-
ment to carry on propaganda in
favour of birth control and to pro-
vide facilities for its practice, invoked
an interesting debate.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta supported the
resolution on economic grounds and
stated that continence was an ideal,
which could not be reached by all
human beings.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister,
opposing the resolution, advocated
self-control and feared that once
birth control was accepted, there
would be no control of sexual life
and that would result in the
deterioration of the nation.

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CHINESE PAPERS

Cristian Journal Suspend Issue

One of Hongkong's oldest Chinese
dailies, the Tai Kwong Post, which
was established in 1912, announced
in its edition yesterday its intention
to suspend publication for the time
being. The Tai Kwong Post was
published for many years at its office
in Kau Yu Fong, and in 1934 was
forced to stop business for a short
time.

With the support of a number of
Chinese Christians, the paper was
reorganised and resumed publication
under the name of Tai Kwong Post
Newspaper & Printing Co. (1934)
Ltd. It is well known also that this
paper has had the support of Chinese
Christians in Hongkong owing to its
pro-Christian policy.

After its reorganisation in 1934,
the paper established its new office
at Nos. 1 to 3 Lee Yuen Street and
the paper was published in the name
address. The publisher is Mr. Wong
Shu-kong.

In its last issue yesterday, the Tai
Kwong Post said that its suspension
was principally due to the complete
interruption of trade in South China
since the outbreak of hostilities.

The Japanese invasion of Kwang-
tung has robbed the paper of its
biggest field of circulation, namely
Canton and other Kwangtung cities.
The announcement adds that an
endeavour will be made to resume
publication in the near future, as
soon as circumstances permit.

While the Japanese occupation of
Canton must have seriously affected
many Hongkong Chinese newspapers,
which have to depend on Canton for
circulation, it is commonly known
that competition among Chinese
newspapers at the moment is keen.
This latter factor is due to the recent
opening in the Colony of a few of
China's leading journals, which were
forced to suspend their issues in
Shanghai, Hankow or Canton.

Formerly nearly all Chinese dailies
were sold at five cents per issue;
competition to-day has reduced the
price in the case of some new papers
to one or two cents.

Counting all the dailies and the
"meets," press Hongkong has now
well over 30 papers, many appearing
after the Sino-Japanese war began
to meet the public demand for news.

AWARDS PRESENTED

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At the Peninsula Hotel yesterday,
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countancy and Commerce was held.

After the presentation of awards
by Mr. F. B. de Silva, a light supper
was served and dancing which
started in the evening lasted to the
early hours of the morning.

Mr. Lim Tark-sim was awarded a
gold medal from the International
Institute of Accountants, Australia.
Messrs. W. Benedicte, Fang Tsu-chek
and C. M. Sequeira were the winners
of bronze medals from the
Faculty of Secretaries. Besides those
who received medals, 130 students
were awarded diplomas.

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Hongkong, 7th Nov. 1938.

CARNIVAL DANCE

The Central British Association
have arranged a Masquerade Car-
nival Dance for to-night at the Rose
Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

Although no cabaret items have
been arranged, the function prom-
ises to be a gay one, since there
will be several novelty numbers,
including a Spot Dance and a Waltz
Competition. Mr. George Gonchroff,
the prominent local dancing master,
will be the chief judge of the latter
item. For these two numbers prizes
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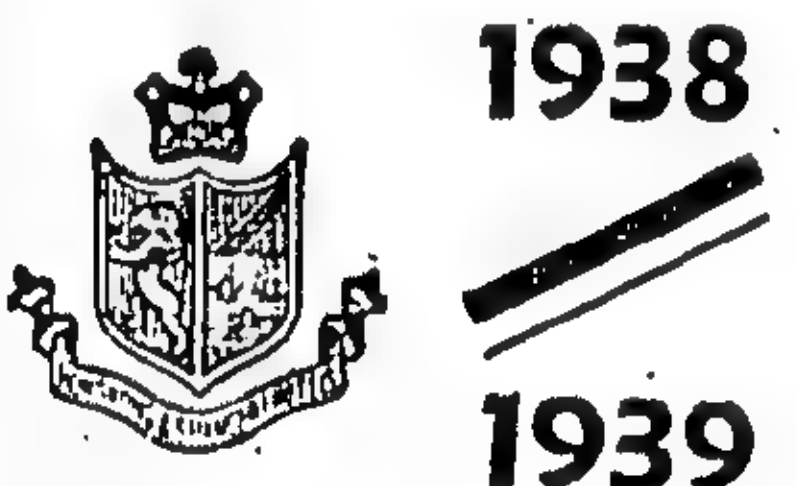
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What Do You Know About Disinfectants?

To be sure that a household disinfectant has been applied in such a way that best use is made of its properties, a few precautions should be taken, the chief one being to make certain that the disinfectant is brought into close contact with what is being disinfected.

Do not, for instance, stand a saucer of liquid in the corner of a room, but distribute it by means of a spray, so that it reaches the germ-laden dust particles floating in the air.

It is most difficult to disinfect a brush because the liquid does not always penetrate into the bristles where they are set into the back. The surest way is to leave the brush in a large biscuit tin with a close-fitting lid in company with a saucer containing a little formalin. The gas from the latter readily penetrates the bristle clumps.

Don't Forget Heat and Sunlight

Heat is a handy household disinfectant that often is not brought into contact with what is to be disinfected because it penetrates common household materials very slowly. It is almost useless to try to disinfect home fabrics by boiling them in the oven; the only satisfactory way is to boil them. Half an hour's boiling will thoroughly sterilise fabrics.

Sunlight is a cheap disinfectant that is not used enough as such in the home. It is well worth while taking the trouble to hang sheets and handkerchiefs out to dry in the sunlight.

One or two disinfectants, particularly tincture of iodine, become stronger as the spirit in them evaporates, and unless this is remembered the disinfectant may be used weakly, or even cause damage; for example, old tincture of iodine may cause irritation of the skin. Always buy disinfectants in small quantities sufficient to meet immediate needs.

Finally, when disinfecting a bedroom after an infectious illness, remember that 90 per cent. of the infection is centred in the dust. Wash the floors with a carbolic soap, spray the walls, and leave doors and windows wide open all the time to blow away the dust that is raised.

Juliet Sanford

HOME HINTS

STALE scones can be freshened by dipping them in milk and placing them in a hot oven for about ten minutes on a greased tin. Don't soak them in the milk, just dip them in quickly, or they will become soggy.

To prevent mustard from going dry, make it up with a level teaspoon of salt to two tablespoons of dry mustard, and it will keep fresh for a considerable time.

Don't throw away used coffee grounds; pack them into the drain of your sink and pour boiling water over them. They will clear and disinfect the drain.

If you have egg yolks left over, cover them with cold water, and they will keep fresh for several days. To keep a fruit cake fresh and moist keep an apple or a slice of very fresh bread in the tin beside it. Bread is best as apple is inclined to flavour the cake.

Soft white breadcrumbs remove marks from books more easily than rubber will.

A long-handled typewriter brush is invaluable in the house for dusting ornaments, the tops of books, or anything with awkward corners.

To make flowers last longer, in these days when flowers are scarce, remove them every evening from rooms where fires are burning.

B. A. C.

SMART HEADLINES

PEACH velvet is the new in millinery this season—it looks very like a soft velvet.

Hair up! So hat designers add a comb to the tricorn which secures it firmly to the head.

No damp will bring out the curl of these feathers—they are made of clipped velvet in two shades of the popular fuchsia.

Gold metal flowers, insects and birds in coloured enamel and broad short quills are among the newest trimmings.

The ostrich, though he may put his head in the clouds, proudly leads his plumes for hats this season in true Edwardian style.

Veils bunch at the side or at the back—they are mainly for show, not use, this winter.

Fashion puts on the BLACK HAT

By Mary Grace

NOTHING changes so quickly as millinery, both as regards style and colour. After the arty blues and rich vintage wine shades of the early autumn, fashion has sobered down and put on the black hat.

A popular fashion and smart, too, especially with the swept-up coiffures.

Hats soar upwards to reveal the hair both at sides and back. This must have a beautifully tidy air if your head is to have that well-groomed look in keeping with the new elegance in the winter season's hats.

An easy favourite is the black tricorn. It suits practically everyone. But be careful to place it on your head according to the shape of your face.

No extreme angle if your forehead is inclined to width; with small piquant features perch it well forward; the oval-shaped face needs to get the full benefit of the width.

The woman with a tiny head has been really looked after this year. The trimming of clipped velvet is almost of doll-like proportions. It is so easy if you have a small face to be completely overwhelmed by a hat, especially if it is of felt.

Capricious is the only word for these little hats, and you can afford to trim up your millinery with pretty little imitation ostrich feathers which are in the shops just now in great variety, priced at a shilling or so.

For the girl who wants a hat to wear day in, day out, my advice is—turn your back on such frivolities as veils and feathers; they need constant care and attention, and a shower of rain will ruin them in a minute.

Choose a hat like the third felt shape with its velvet ribbons and novelty silvered cork motifs on knitting needles. It is the originality of the trimming that will give your hat its fashion value.

For Your Dressing Table

If you have an old-fashioned revolving piano stool in the lumber room, now is the time to fish it out and make it your own. It will prove to be a most suitable and useful dressing stool owing to its adjustable height. It will enable you to twist easily from side to side without moving from your seat or almost dislocating your neck in order to regard, from every point of view, the result of your labours on your face and hair, or the most captivating angle of your hat, and it takes up very little room.

Nimble fingers will make short work of a petticoat to hide its Victorian limb. A circle of chinl or damask on top, to match curtains or chair covers, with a full gathered frill just touching the floor when the stool is wound down to its lowest level will bring it into line with most modern bedroom furnishings, while in no way interfering with the simple mechanism.

If such a stool is not to be found in your attic, one can be bought quite cheaply, and it is really a good investment.

A. M. S.

Salt and pepper

Crumbs

Mix the mashed potatoes (left-overs may be used), the turkey, onion and seasonings. Mix in enough milk to moisten and beat well. Mold into balls or patties, roll in dry crumbs and fry in butter. Serve hot.

JELLIED TURKEY LOAF

2 cups diced turkey
2 packages salad aspic
3/4 cups stock from turkey bones
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon grated onion
2 cups diced celery
3 hard-cooked eggs
1 tablespoon salt
2 tablespoons pimento

Melt the aspic in 2 cups hot stock, add 1/2 cups cold stock and the mayonnaise. Add the seasoning, meat and vegetables, place in the refrigerator to chill, stirring occasionally until it begins to thicken. Arrange the slices of egg in a wet loaf pan to garnish, turn in the turkey mixture and chill until firm. Unmold on a platter and garnish with ripe olives in celery cups and molds of left-over cranberry jelly or currant jelly.

DOUGHNUT PUDDING

3 eggs
2 tablespoons melted butter
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 quart milk
3/4 cups sliced dried out doughnuts

If you have doughnuts left over from your holiday feasts, convert them into this tempting variety of old-fashioned "bread" pudding. Melt the butter and combine with the beaten eggs, the sugar, a few grains salt, vanilla and milk. Put the sliced doughnuts in a buttered casserole and pour in the milk and egg mixture. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg and bake in a slow oven about 1 hour. Serve warm or cold with whipped cream. This makes 6 to 8 servings.



Toy tricorn of peach velvet trimmed with a tulle veil which is tied in a huge bow high at the back.



Clipped velvet feather in two shades of velvet droops gracefully over a shovel-shaped, tip-tilted felt hat.

Silvered cork motifs on knitting needles are crossed on a flat round felt shape tied with long velvet ribbons.

Models by
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THAARUP

Turkey Cutlets for Christmas

Cold Turkey With Cream Is Good Too

ROAST turkey has been in order for Christmas as long as can be remembered. But once the holiday is over, however, we can experiment with the remains of the feast. Do as the native cooks in far-off Hawaii do—serve your left-over turkey as a new dish combined with rice cooked in pineapple juice and made into cutlets.

Here are other tips on how to use the remains of the turkey:

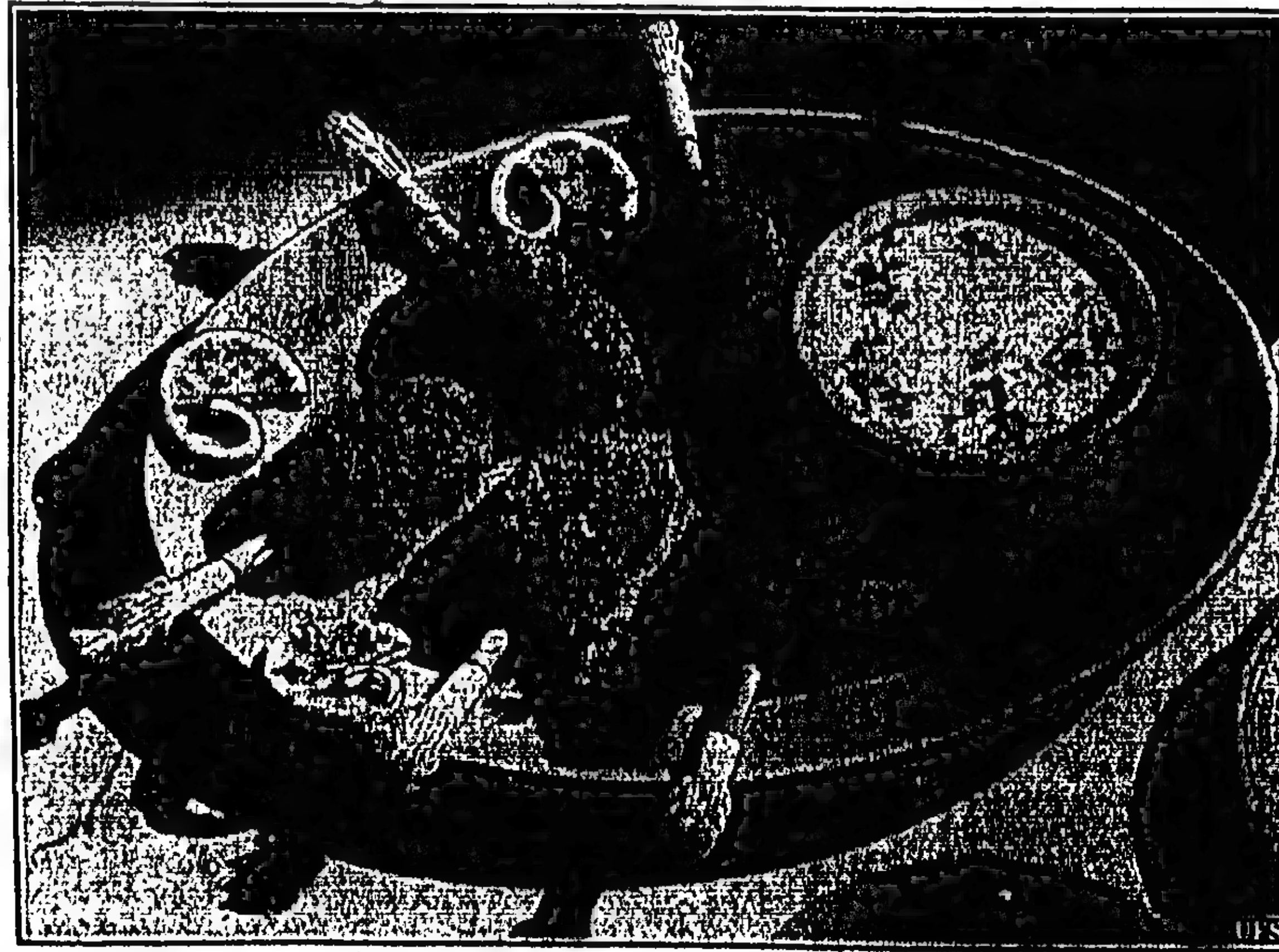
TURKEY IN CREAM

Sliced cold turkey
2 tablespoons butter
1/2 small onion, thinly sliced
1 cup rich cream
1 teaspoon grated horseradish
Salt, pepper and paprika to taste

Put turkey into the saucepan in which the onion and 1 teaspoon minced parsley are simmering in the butter. Simmer until the turkey is well heated, then add the cream and let bubble rapidly for several minutes. Add the seasonings and serve at once with points of crisp buttered toast as a garnish.

TURKEY FATTIES

3/4 cups mashed potatoes
2 cups chopped turkey meat
1 finely minced onion sautéed in 2 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup milk



Your Christmas turkey will furnish another good dinner if you use this recipe for turkey cutlets: Wash 1 cup rice. Heat 3/4 cups unsweetened pineapple juice, 4 tablespoons butter and 2 small grated onion to the boiling point, stir in rice and cook until rice is tender and liquid absorbed. Stir in 1/2 cup grated cheese, 2 cups chopped turkey, salt and pepper to taste. Form into cutlets, roll in crumbs, dip in egg then again in crumbs. Fry in deep fat until golden brown. Serve with cream sauce into which minced parsley, chopped green pepper or chives and a hard-cooked egg have been stirred.

Never neglect a scratch—however small. The moment the skin is broken a path for germs is opened. Use 'Dettol' at once. It is a weapon against infection. Yet for all its high germicidal efficiency, it is non-staining, non-poisonous, even pleasant to smell.

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Hongkong Still Centre For China's Trade With World

CHUNGKING, Dec. 15. CHINESE SOURCES state that despite the Japanese occupation of Canton and Hankow, Hongkong remains the centre of China's export trade.

At present along two trunk lines, Chinese exports are flowing abroad, with Hongkong as the stepping-stone.

The two main routes for the Chinese export trade after the loss of Hankow and Canton have been the Haiphong-Kunming railway and the Chungking-Kwangchow highway.

It is stated that thousands of giant American and Soviet trucks are busily transporting native products along the south-west highway abroad. Native goods, when gathered at Kunming are transported to Haiphong and then to Hongkong for ocean liners. The products of the vast interior are also gathered at Chungking and then sent by trucks to Kwangchow via Kweiyang and Kweilin.

It takes about seven days for goods from Chungking to reach Kwangchow Bay, and from there they go to Hongkong to connect with the ocean liners.

A foreign trade commission of the Ministry of Finance is at present the national organization controlling foreign trade. It is doing its utmost to encourage exportation, especially since the fall of Hankow and Canton, as part of the Chinese national policy in order to cover the Chinese financial position.

Altogether 24 native products are under the commission's control, chief among which are wood-oil, pig-bristles, wool, ox, goats, skins and drugs which represent the main products of the provinces in West China.

The exportation of wood-oil is a very important factor in foreign credit loans to China. The period of prosperity in the exportation of wood-oil has been since the beginning of the war up to the time of the fall of Canton and Hankow. The climax was reached last June when the total figure of exports for that month was 137,892 tons, while the figures for the month of November are reduced by about 80 per cent, namely about 28,000 tons.

The main reason for this is the cutting of the Yangtze River and the Canton-Hankow railway along which the wood-oil was transported for abroad.

The next very important item, second only to wood-oil, is Szechwan's pig bristles. This is best for toothbrushes which are manufactured in America. Szechwan is one of only two places in the whole world producing white bristles needed to make toothbrushes. Last June 26, 900 tons of these bristles were exported, but the figure increased to 92,000 tons in November, the main reason being the rise in the price of world markets, and secondly the convenience of transportation by trucks.

The difficulty confronting the Government regarding its exportation by the south-west highways is a shortage of trucks, and the Government is encouraging exporting merchants to purchase trucks, and is also encouraging exportation in every possible way.—United Press.

Japanese Minister Recalled To Tokyo

Shanghai, Dec. 15. Mr. Masayuki Tani, the Japanese Minister at Shanghai, has received instructions from the Japanese Foreign Office to return to Tokyo.

Although nothing official can be obtained regarding the purpose of the recall, well-informed quarters state that Mr. Tani is to be appointed to an important position.—Trans-Ocean.

"Give My Prize Money To Some Poor Children"

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Dear Uncle Eddie

Please give my prize money to some poor children fund

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I am a Brownie

THIS IS A LETTER received by "Uncle Eddie," who conducts the Children's Corner, for one of last week's prize-winners—eight-year-old Maria Patey.

Maria's prize, valued at \$3, has been sent to the Society for the Protection of Children.

ALL TOLD TO QUIT

Whole Village Is Being Sold

The entire population of Mynydd Llandegai, a North Wales village, was recently given notice to quit by its landlord, Lord Penrhyn.

A legal notice was served on every one of the quiet, dark farm folk, and the whole village will be put under the auctioneer's hammer.

"It is intended to give the tenants the first opportunity to purchase their homes," a letter from a firm of Bangor auctioneers said.

"If, therefore, you wish to avail yourself of this offer, I shall be glad if you will call at my office on Monday, the 21st instant, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 7 p.m."

NEARLY 300 OF THEM

Copies of this letter fell on the scrubbed stone kitchen floors at the back of letter-box flaps in every house and farm of the village, which has between 200 and 300 inhabitants.

Many fear that land and houses occupied by the same families for generations may be delivered by a rack of the auctioneer's hammer into the hands of property development companies.

An emergency meeting was called by the village.

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Lord Stanley, Dominions Secretary, and heir of the Earl of Derby, who died on October 10, left estate, so far as can at present be ascertained, of £1,428,000.

Duty of £635,445 has been paid. Lord Stanley bequeathed £25,000 and his effects to his wife, his London house to her for life or £15,000 to purchase another residence, and the Holwood Estate, near Bromley, Kent, to her for life and £2,000 per annum to his trustees for the upkeep during her lifetime.

Subject to other legacies the residue was left upon trust for his eldest son, the Hon. Edward John Stanley, for life.

Before her marriage in 1917 Lady Stanley, who is 45, was the Hon. Sibyl Louise Bentinck Cadogan, eldest daughter of the late Viscount Chelmsford, second son of the 5th Earl Cadogan.

Britain's Plan To Aid Trade

LONDON, Dec. 15.

MOVING THE SECOND reading of the Export Guarantee Bill, designed to assist Britain's drive against subsidised foreign competition, Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade said in the House of Commons to-day:

"In suggest in conclusion, that this is only one of the methods that have been adopted by this country to meet the existing situation. New difficulties and new problems are continually coming up, and our competitors are continually extending and developing their methods, and it seems that we have, as occasion arises, to adopt new devices to meet those difficulties.

"They may be novel, and they will certainly be without precedent in our history.

The main points of the Bill are firstly, to increase the £25,000,000 fund to guarantee export traders business, and secondly of the extra amount, £10,000,000 to form a fund for export credit guarantees in the operation of which the Board of Trade can have regard to political, as well as commercial considerations.—Reuter.

United Americas Declaration Soon

New York, Dec. 15.

The Argentine has taken command of all matters dealt with at the Pan-American Conference relating to defence and strategy regarding the American continent, according to the Lima correspondent of the "New York Times."

He adds that the Argentine delegation has taken over the drafting of whatever "United American Front" declaration may be presented to the conference.

General Campenni, the Italian Minister at Panama, who, according to the correspondent, is understood to be the organizer of Fascist units throughout Central America, has arrived at Lima to act as observer at the conference.—Reuter.

Famous Clown Of Sawdust Ring Dies

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Armando Novella, known all over the world as the circus clown Toto, died to-day at the age of 50.—Reuter.

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New Canadian Coin Bluecher Promoted For King's Visit Not Arrested

Ottawa, Dec. 15. The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, announced to-day that a new silver dollar will be struck shortly by the Royal Canadian Mint to commemorate their Majesties' visit.

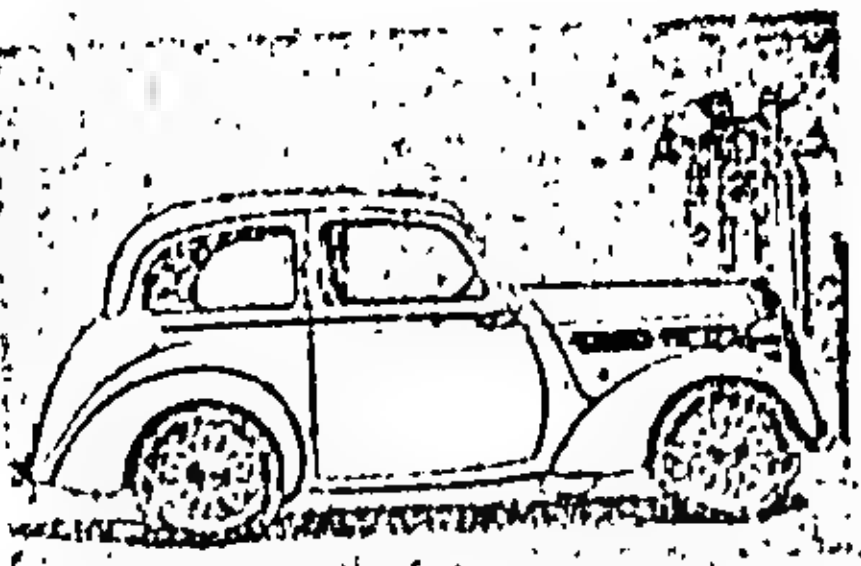
The coin will bear the likeness of King George on one side, and a design symbolising the visit on the other.

Three series of stamps will also be issued. The 3-cent will be enlarged which the King is to unveil, and the 1-cent will be green, bearing the likenesses of their Majesties, the 2-cent will be brown, depicting the National War Memorial.

The Moscow correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" says he has been reliably informed that Marshal Bluecher has not been arrested, but merely recalled from the Far East, and that he now occupies the post of Soviet War Commissioner.—Reuter.

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JAPANESE ATTACKS LOSING STING Chinese Score In Hand-to-Hand Fighting

FINE OPTIMISM AND MORALE BEING DISPLAYED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 16.

THE MILITARY situation on the various fronts gives rise to singular optimism, declared the Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese forces on the south bank of the Yangtse River, who is at present visiting Chungking, when he made a statement yesterday.

He declared that "anyone who visits the front cannot fail to feel optimistic concerning the future military situation, as the morale of the Chinese soldiers is extremely high."

"Every Chinese soldier is eager to avenge the wrongs and sufferings inflicted upon his family and countrymen as a result of the Japanese invasion. The power of the Japanese fire has decreased noticeably recently. Hitherto the Japanese have always adopted the same tactics, that of subjecting the Chinese line to very heavy artillery and aerial bombardment, and using a sea of tanks before sending the infantry over the top, with the result that frequently Chinese lost their lives and their positions without even the opportunity of facing a Japanese soldier."

"As the Japanese fire has slackened considerably of late, the Chinese had obtained an opportunity of meeting the Japanese in hand-to-hand fighting. The spirit of the Chinese veterans was indeed admirable. When the Japanese fire is too heavy to withstand they fall back slightly, but as soon as the firing slows down they immediately return to their original positions, and try to advance if possible."

"The determination of the Chinese soldiers to fight the Japanese grows daily. In addition the Chinese soldier has benefited by his experiences, and is also improving daily in his fighting technique."

"It is undeniable that our troops have suffered heavy losses, but our fighting strength is by no means affected."—*Reuter*.

FRANCE'S AMAZING BUDGET

66 Billion Francs
To Be Spent

PARIS, Dec. 15.
EXPENDITURE amounting to 66,317,000,000 francs is to be discussed at a meeting of the Chamber on the budget.

On the revenue side there is a total of 66,345,000,000 francs.

These figures do not include the extraordinary budget covered by loan, the amounting to 20,286,000,000 francs, including 25,551,000,000 francs for armaments, and 2,735,000,000 francs for public works.

The Chamber will be warned, that in view of the external situation, it is absolutely necessary that the budget be voted by the New Year.

There will be sitting daily until the final vote is taken. The way in which the Finance Commission has concentrated to forge ahead with additional expenditure which will unbalance the budget is held to augur well for the passage of the budget through the Chamber. —*Reuter Special*.



Princess Margaretha of Sweden poses for this picture on her recent fourth birthday. She is the daughter of Prince Gustaf, heir presumptive, and Princess Sybille, and great-granddaughter of King Gustaf.

GERMAN FIRMS IN ENGLAND SACK JEWISH EMPLOYEES

LONDON, Dec. 15.
QUESTIONED CONCERNING cases in which British employees in the service of German firms in London are being dismissed in consequence of instructions received by such firms by the German Government, that they are not to employ persons of the Jewish faith after December 25, 1938, the Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare replied that he was aware that allegations had been made that the services of persons had been terminated by German firms on racial ground, but he had no knowledge that instructions had been issued by the German Government of the kind suggested.

MacDonald And The Dominions

Government And Its
Attitude To
His Speech.

LONDON, Dec. 15.
Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, said in London today: "I do not think, despite what I am reported to have said, that much strengthening of ties between the dominions and this country is needed, and perhaps no strengthening of ties between New Zealand and this country is needed."

Mr. MacDonald was speaking at a luncheon in honour of Sir Henry Batterbee, who leaves shortly for New Zealand as High Commissioner. The Prime Minister was asked in the House of Commons whether the speech delivered by the Colonial Secretary on December 13 relating to the future of the British Commonwealth of nations expressed the policy of His Majesty's Government. He replied: "The speech, which was only partially reported in the press, included a statement on the various influences at work in the Commonwealth of nations, and it gave the Minister's reasons for his firm faith that the nations of the Commonwealth survive, in co-operation together, whatever crisis they may have to face in the future. His Majesty's Government certainly fully shares that faith."—*British Wireless*.

Roberts Heights, Famed S.A. Military Establishment Is To Be Re-Named

Pretoria, Dec. 15.
Roberts Heights, the well-known military establishment situated on the outskirts of Pretoria, and named after Lord Roberts, have been re-named Voortrekker Hoogte (Voortrekker Heights).

This was announced by General Kemp, who is acting Minister for Defence in the absence of Mr. Oswald Pirow, when addressing a large audience in the amphitheatre at Voortrekker Canvas City today. There was an incident during the Voortrekker celebrations today when Mr. E. W. Douglas, former Attorney-General for the Cape Province, and a member of the celebrations committee, was howled down when he attempted to address the gathering of many thousands in English. He was scheduled to speak in English. Eventually he spoke in Afrikaans, and was received with cheering. Dr. Teyssie, professor of Afrikaans at the Berlin University was also cheered when he spoke in Afrikaans, and a section of the crowd afterwards gave him the Nazi salute. —*Reuter Special*.

33RD DAY OF DROUGHT

THE 33RD day of Hongkong's drought ended at 10 o'clock this morning, and the local weather forecast was: Eastwinds, moderate; fine generally, thus indicating that the rainless period is not likely to come to an end yet.

In fact there appears to be little reason why the record drought of 60 days should not be equalled or even surpassed in view of the prevailing weather conditions throughout South China.

Yesterday's maximum temperature shot up to 73, but the minimum remained at 64. This morning the thermometer registered 70, with an accompanying humidity of 70 per cent.

The total rainfall for the year is 55.34 inches, as compared with an average of 84.55 inches.

The Royal Observatory weather report issued this morning stated that the anti-cyclone is apparently moving eastward, and pressure is now highest over Korea. A depression is indicated to the east of Mindanao.

Memorial To Famed Wait & See Politician

LONDON, Dec. 15.
In Parliament there is a rule that no monument may be erected within the precincts of the House to one of its members until 10 years after his death.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain referred to this prohibition in the House of Commons today when he moved that the House go into committee on Monday in order to consider an address to His Majesty praying that instructions be given for the erection of a memorial to the late Earl of Oxford and Asquith.

Mr. Chamberlain recalled that the Earl of Asquith's career lasted nearly 38 years. The motion was carried unanimously. —*Reuter Special*.

London Stock Market Is Buoyant

LONDON, Dec. 15.
Business on the London Stock Exchange was somewhat restricted today by end of account influences. Nevertheless most groups improved, particularly South American bonds and rails in response to a better crop outlook.

Gilt-edged holding finished the day's best, while Internationals were firm with Wall Street. Foreign exchanges were steady, a stream of bear-covering prior to the end of the year imparting a firm undertone to sterling in terms of the dollar. —*Reuter Special*.

Lancashire Mass Protest At Apathy

LONDON, Dec. 15.
Carrying burning torches and protected from the pouring rain by umbrellas, several hundred employers and employees marched to a meeting in Blackburn to protest against what they consider parliamentary apathy towards the Lancashire cotton trade. The demonstration was arranged by the "Red Rose Cotton Campaign," which is urging assistance for cotton. The meeting was attended by 2,000, who passed a resolution urging the Government in all future trade pacts and negotiations to take such action as was necessary to improve the cotton industry. —*Reuter*.

German Plane Will Tour Far East

Berlin, Dec. 15.
A two-seater aeroplane, the AR. 79, will start next Monday from the Brandenburg-on-Havel aerodrome for a flight to Tripoli in Italian North Africa, and thence overland to Australia, via Libya, Egypt, Arabia, India and Java. The object of the flight is to demonstrate the capacity of this type of machine for long-distance flights. —*Trans-Ocean*.

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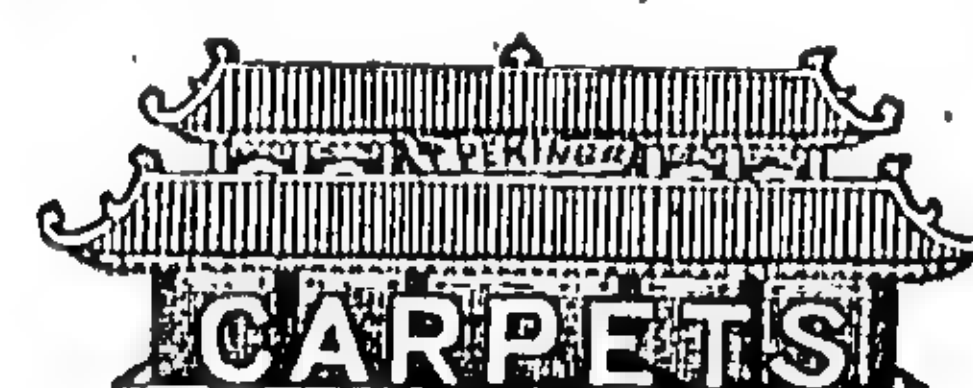
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JAPAN AND ITALY GRASPING THE TAIL OF THE TIGER

LONDON, Dec. 15.

IF JAPAN PUSHES the war in China and still fails, the reaction which "dogs the steps of all extremes" will produce a "Red" Japan.

If Italy pushes her Mediterranean ambitions too far, her foreign policy will fail her industrial, commercial and financial sections, and the setback may easily create an anti-Fascist revolution.

These opinions were expressed in an editorial to-day by the "Birmingham Post."

The newspaper asks how far aggression pays the ordinary man even in aggressor nations.

NATIONAL REGISTER EXPLAINED

House Of Lords Debate

London, Dec. 15.

Replying on behalf of the Government to a debate in the House of Lords on the National Register the Earl of Birkenhead said the register was being prepared in such a way that it could be quickly completed in an emergency without unduly disturbing industry.

All interests would be fully represented on local committees. It was intended that men engaged in key industries, who were skilled men, should not be taken from their occupations if that could be avoided.

Men who undertook to serve in national services such as fire brigades would certainly be retained in those services at least during the early stages of the emergency.

Giving figures with regard to A.R.P. the Earl of Birkenhead said that on October 31 last, the number of air raid wardens required was 420,000 men and 100,000 women.—British Wireless.

"The point will occur to many readers who have noted the simultaneous disclosures made in the Budgets of Japan and Italy.

Expenditure in both countries is due to a policy which sets force before agreement.

Italian and Japanese tax-payers are being asked to make sacrifices which would be unnecessary if Rome and Tokyo observed loyally their pledges to Geneva.

These two Budgets underline the moral already written in plain letters—the citizen is asked to make big sacrifices for big future gains incompatible with any reasonable, peaceful and political world system.

Surely non-aggressor Powers, led by Great Britain and the United States, may reasonably consider the use of their present economic strength as a political asset, to be used actively, and not as a liability to be defended passively.—Reuter.

HONGKONG HOTEL'S XMAS PLANS

Kyra, Roby and Harry, the popular entertainers open the season at the Hongkong Hotel on December 21.

An added attraction will be "The Gipsy Glamourettes" with the Dani Sisters, who have also been booked for the festive season.

Japan's Parleys With Soviet Break Down

MOSCOW, Dec. 15.

A DEADLOCK has been reached in the negotiations for Japanese fishing rights in Soviet territorial waters, according to a semi-official report issued here, which states that negotiations had continued between M. Litvinoff and Mr. Togo, the Japanese Ambassador.

Mr. Togo asked whether, in the event of the Japanese Government considering favourably the question of overdue payment for the Chinese Eastern Railway, the Soviet Government would agree to sign without changes, the draft of the Fisheries Convention they had refused to approve in 1936-37. M. Litvinoff replied in the negative.

Mr. Togo then stated that he was prepared to start negotiations on a temporary agreement for one year in conformity with the proposal made by the Soviet Government on November 28. M. Litvinoff agreed, but said this did not cause the Soviet Government to withdraw its demands regarding railway payments, and that in the course of further negotiations it would be necessary to return to this question.

Subsequently Mr. Togo opposed the basis for a temporary agreement mentioned in the Soviet proposal of November 28, and insisted on the prolongation of the temporary agreement now in operation, and added that if it proves impossible to conclude a new convention, the previous convention must be renewed.

M. Litvinoff would not agree, and proposed that Mr. Togo inform the Japanese Government that a temporary agreement could be concluded only on the basis of the Soviet statement of November 28.—Reuter.

Japanese Minister Recalled To Tokyo

Shanghai, Dec. 15.

Mr. Masayuki Tani, the Japanese Minister at Shanghai, has received instructions from the Japanese Foreign Office to return to Tokyo.

Although nothing official can be obtained regarding the purpose of his recall, well-informed quarters at Shanghai state that Mr. Tani is to be appointed to an important position.—Trans-Ocean.

Famous Clown Of Sawdust Ring Dies

New York, Dec. 15.

Armando Novello, known all over the world as the circus clown Tolo, died to-day at the age of 50.—Reuter.

Fighting Behind The Lines Admitted

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.

REVEALING THE wide-spread operations against Chinese guerilla forces, involving the army, navy and air force, a Japanese spokesman to-day said that since December 9, the Japanese forces had carried out operations in the Shanghai, Tsungming, Hangchow and Yangchow areas.

He said that a unit of 6,000 of the new Fourth Army were centred at Nankiao and Nanhwei, 20 miles south-east of Shanghai, with their headquarters in Shanghai, though he did not know whether they were in French Concession or the International Settlement.

He added that the Japanese navy had blockaded the coast, the air force had bombed the Chinese forces, and the Shanghai Japanese garrison had enveloped them yesterday, and had captured Nankiao and Nanhwei. He estimated the Chinese losses to be 400 dead, while they had surrendered ten trench mortars and 40 machine-guns.

The Japanese losses in this engagement were one killed.

The spokesman added that a Japanese column from Yangchow attacked 6,000 Chinese guerrillas, armed with artillery at Tienchang, 60 miles north-east of Nanking, and killed 250. The Japanese losses were one officer and three N.C.O.s killed and ten soldiers wounded.

He added that army and navy units attacked 1,500 guerrillas at Tsungming Island, and killed 150 of them.

For four days the Japanese forces operated against 20,000 members of the "1st Kiangnan Volunteer Corps," north of Hangchow, and killed 600, as well as capturing 60 machine-guns.

The Japanese left three dead and 12 wounded.

Asked how the Shanghai 4th Army headquarters communicated with their forces despite the Japanese cordon thrown around the area, the spokesman replied it was easy because "almost all the Chinese are spies. This is characteristic of the situation all over China."—United Press.

Eden Visits Town Of Ancestor

Washington, Dec. 15.

Mr. Anthony Eden, whose visit to the capital was marked by frank and informal discussions with President Roosevelt, Mr. Sumner Welles, Senator Key Pittman and members of the American Cabinet, left for New York early to-day, via Annapolis, capital of the State of Maryland, where an ancestor of Mr. Eden's, Sir Robert Eden, was the last Colonial Governor.

Mr. Eden motored to Annapolis in brilliantly sunny weather, and a reception committee of leading citizens, including Rear-Admiral Wilson Brown, Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy, conducted the party on a tour of the 18th century town, to Sir Robert Eden's tomb, and the Naval Academy.

Mr. Eden will privately address the Council on Foreign Relations (an unofficial association for the study of foreign policy) at a dinner to-night.—Reuter.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

Crisis In Concession In Hankow Mounting

SHANGHAI, Dec. 16.

THE SITUATION in the French Concession in Hankow has grown much more acute, so it was learned yesterday evening from a private source.

The Japanese authorities have taken extraordinary measures because about 150,000 Chinese have taken refuge in the French Concession.

All food supplies to the Concession have been cut off. One man who attempted to bring foodstuffs from the riverside into the Concession was shot.

Prices of food have already risen considerably because of the position. On the other hand, the water supply which had been cut off by the Japanese has been provided for by the pumping of water from the Yangtze into the Concession, where it is filtered.

This intolerable position, it is declared, must lead to catastrophe unless the dispute is settled quickly.—Trans-Ocean.

Britain's Plan To Aid Trade

LONDON, Dec. 15.

MOVING THE SECOND reading of the Export Guarantee Bill, designed to assist Britain's drive against subsidised foreign competition, Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade said in the House of Commons to-day:

"I suggest in conclusion, that this is only one of the methods that have been adopted by this country to meet the existing situation. New difficulties and new problems are continually coming up, and our competitors are continually extending and developing their methods, and it seems that we have, as occasion arises, to adopt new devices to meet those difficulties.

"They may be novel, and they will certainly be without precedent in our history."

The main points of the Bill are firstly, to increase the £25,000,000 fund to guarantee export traders business, and secondly of the extra amount, £10,000,000 to form a fund for export credit guarantee in the operation of which the Board of Trade can have regard to political, as well as commercial considerations.—Reuter.

League For The Two Americas

LIMA, Dec. 15.

AN AMERICAN League of Nations, supported by a system of moral, instead of economic or military sanctions, was proposed at the Pan-American Conference to-day by delegates of Colombia and Santo Domingo.

Pleading urgency, Sen. Lopez Domest, Colombia's Foreign Minister, said that they had "never heard such unmistakably imperialistic words as were now coming from Europe."—Reuter.

9 Below Zero In Soviet Cold Wave

Warsaw, Dec. 15.

Severe cold has broken out all over central Russia, state reports from Moscow.

In Moscow itself the temperature is nine degrees below zero. Heavy snow storms have brought rail and road traffic to a standstill.—Trans-Ocean.

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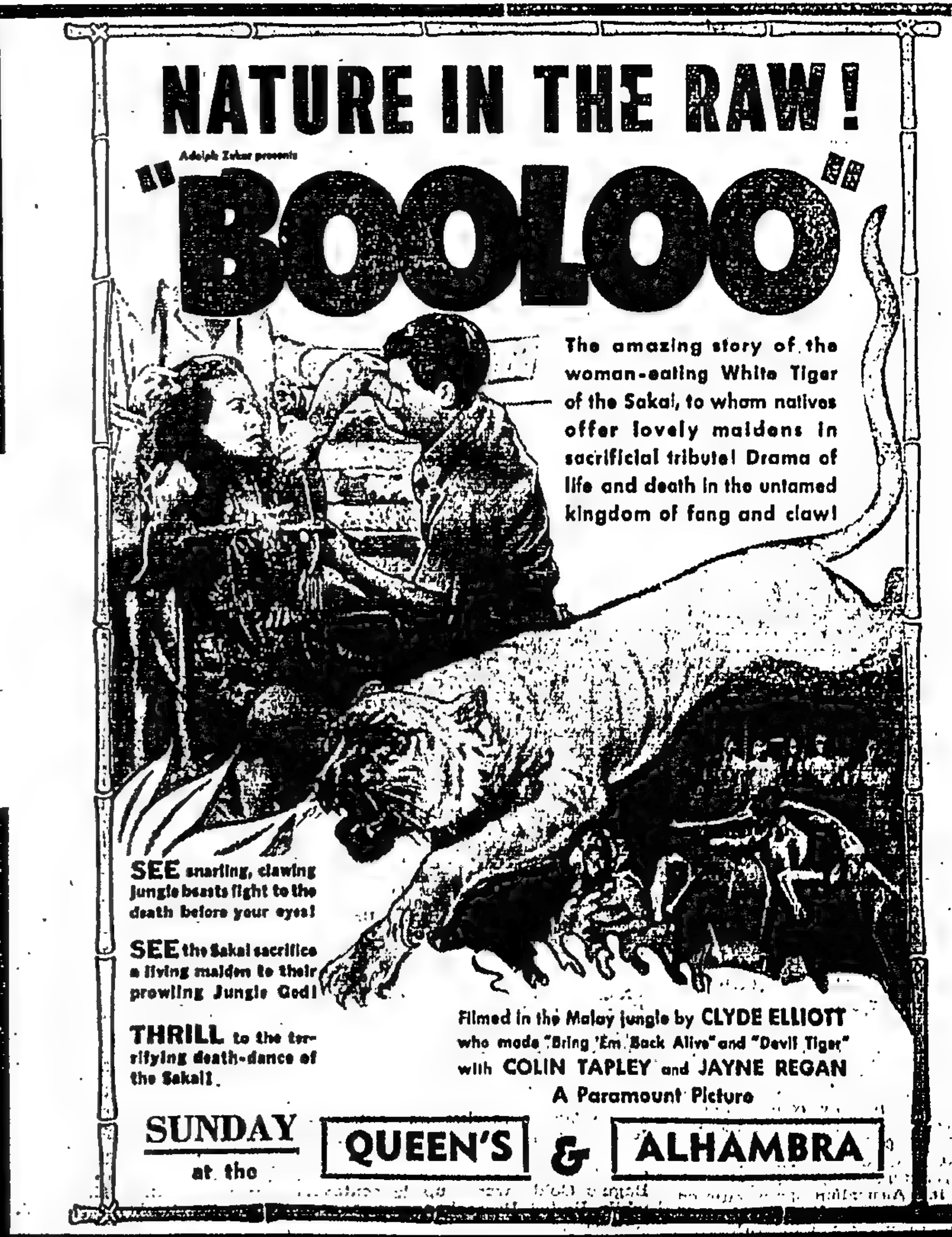
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U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

	New York, Dec. 15.	New York Cotton
December	8.49/49	8.45/45
Jan. (1939)	8.52/52	8.24/24
Mar. (1939)	8.29/29	8.23/23
May (1939)	8.07/07	8.04/04
July (1939)	7.78/78	7.74/74
Oct. (1939)	7.48/48	7.44/44
Spot		8.68 Nom.

	New York Rubber
December	16.21/21
Mar. (1939)	16.07/11
May	15.96/16.02
Sept.	16.02/03
Oct.	15.94/16.00
Sales for the day	3,400 tons.

	Chicago Wheat
December	64 1/4/64 1/4
May	64 1/4/64 1/4
July	64 1/4/64 1/4
Wednesday's Sales	6,803,000 bushels.

	Chicago Corn
December	50/49 1/2
May	53 1/2/53 1/2
July	53 1/2/53 1/2

	Winnipeg Wheat
December	60/60
May	63 1/2/63 1/2
July	62 1/2/62 1/2

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continued quiet, with buyers at slightly lower prices than those quoted, but with no response from sellers.

	Buyers
Douglas 80 1/2	
H.K. & K. Wharves 81 1/2	
H.K. Docks (Old) 81 1/2	
Provident (Old) 80	
H. & S. Hotels 80 1/2	
H.K. Realties 80	
Star Ferry 77 1/2	
Sandakan Light 81 1/2 ex d.	
Watsons 77 1/2	
Entertainments 80 1/2	
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 % Loan 8 1/2	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 % Loan 8 1/2	
	Sellers
Union Insurance 84 1/2	
H.K. & K. Wharves 81 1/2	
Humphreys 80	
Lane, Crawford & Co.	
Constructions 81 1/2	
	Bales
Sandakan Light 81 1/2 ex d.	
Atokas 80	
Baguio Gold 23	
Benguet Consol. 1250	
Coco Groves 53 1/2	
Cons. Mines 50 1/2	
Demonstrations 27 1/2	
Paracale Gumata 13 1/2	
San Mauricio 10	
Suyoc Consol. 20	
United Paracale 23	

Exchange At A Glance

	SELLING
T.T. London	1s. 2 1/2
Demand	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	175 Nom.
T.T. Singapore	53 1/2
T.T. Japan	100 1/4
T.T. India	83
T.T. U.S.A.	29
T.T. Manila	58 1/2
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	109 1/2
T.T. France	10.85
T.T. Germany	72
T.T. Switzerland	127 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2

	BUYING
4 m/s L/c London	1/34
4 m/s D/p do.	1/35 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	29 1/2
4 m/s France	11.50
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.07 1/2

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Saturday, 17th December.

8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

From Monday, 19th to Friday, 23rd December.

8.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Saturday, 24th December.

8.30 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

	BANKS
H.K. Banks	\$1,345 n.
H.K. Banks, Lon.	\$278 1/2 n.
Chartered, A. & B.	\$274 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	\$274 n.
Mercantile, C.	\$13 n.
East Asia	\$88 n.

	INSURANCES
Canton	\$210 n.
Union	\$405 n.
Ch'nan, Underwriters	75 cts. n.
H.K. Fire	\$182 n.

	SHIPPING
Douglas	\$800 1/2 n.
Steamboats	\$18 n.
Indo-China, D.	\$24 n.
Indo-China, D.	\$24 n.
Shell Bearers	\$1/10 1/2 n.
Waterboats	\$9 n.

	DOCKS ETC.
Wharves	\$117 s.
Docks, (old)	\$18 1/2 b.
Docks, (new)	\$175 s.
Pro. (old)	\$9.15 b.
Pro. (new)	\$5.90 b.
New Consol. Sh.	\$5.90 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh.	\$100 n.
Kailan	\$18/- n.
Raub	\$9.35 n.
Venz; Goldfield	\$3 n.
Hongkong Mines	7 1/2 cts. n.

	LANDS
Hotels	\$875 b.
Lands	\$85 1/2 b.
Lands	4 1/2 deb. 107 1/2
Sh. Lands	\$9.40 n.
Humphreys	\$9 s.
H.K. Realties	\$5 b. & s.
Chinese Estates	\$90 n.

	UTILITIES
Tram	\$17.10 sa.
Public Trams (old)	\$8 1/2 n.
Penk Trams (new)	\$3 1/2 n.
Star Ferry	\$71 1/2 b.
Y. Ferry (old)	\$23 n.
Y. Ferry (new)	\$22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	\$10.20 sa.
China Lights (new)	\$10 n.
H.K. Electric	\$55 sa.
Macao Electric	\$17 1/2 n.
Sandakan Light	\$104 b.
Telephone (old)	\$23.50 n.
Telephone (new)	\$8.60 n.
Traction s/-	21/3 n.
Singapore Pref. s/-	25/- n.

	INDUSTRIAL
Cald; Macg. (ord.)	\$14 n.
Cald; Macg. (Pre.)	\$13 n.
Canton Iron	\$170 n.
Cements	\$15.80 n.
Ropes	\$4.25 n.

	STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms	\$25 n.
Watsons	\$7.50 sa.
Crawfords	\$9 s.
Singapore	\$2 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	\$36 n.
Powell, Ltd.	80 cts. n.

	COTTON MILLS
Ewo Cotton Sh.	\$16.40 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	\$106 n.
Zong Sing, Sh.	\$24 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh.	\$40 n.

	MISC.
H.K. Entertainments	\$6.30 b.
Constructions	\$14 s.
Vibro Piling	\$7 n.
Ch. Govt. 5 % 1925	
CS Bonds	73 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 % Loan	.06 prm. b.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 %	par b.
Marsmans (Lon.)	8/- 10/- n.
Marsmans (H.K.)	3/- n.

	MANILA SHARES
The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:	
Antamok	25
Alok	25
Baguio Gold	23
Benguet Cons.	12.50
Coco Grove	47
Consolidated Mines	37 1/2
Demonstration	30 1/2
I.C.L.	100
Paracale Gumata	13 1/2
San Mauricio	10
Suyoc	20
United Paracale	23

The following is Swan Cultureton & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market was extremely quiet and prices steady. In most issues there were no sales or unimportant changes. However, Antamok and Baguio Gold were up 1/2 centavo, while United Paracale was up one centavo.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale of Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of December, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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BERLIN JEWS DEFAULT ON LEVY AS SCHACHT HEARS PLEAS IN LONDON

(Continued from Page 5.)

ing retaliation in the trade war, unless Germany was prepared to come to an agreement.

It is now being suggested that Dr. Schacht may see a basis for a truce in the fact that appeals have been made to allow German-Jewish refugees to bring some of their capital from Germany.

The proposal is that Germany might allow Jews to take certain amounts of money provided similar amounts are recaptured in foreign currency from a trade balance with the countries accepting the refugees. While no accepts have yet been made between Dr. Schacht and the Board of Trade, it is understood that informal discussions with the refugee committee are likely to begin forthwith.—Reuter.

Social Items

The Loloma Kindergarten will be holding a Christmas Festival on Tuesday, December 20, at 3.45 p.m.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Frederico Desiderio Franco, clerk, and Miss Helen Wong, of 141 Woonmeichong Road; and Mr. Lam Wing-hung, editor of the Wah Kiu Yat Po, and Miss Kwok Wai-han, of 78 Wai Ching Street, Yaumati.

The National Red Cross Society of China will show this evening at 8.30 at the St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Tsimshing Road (kindergarten by Mr. A. Morris), a film depicting the work of the Red Cross field units at the front. Members of local relief organisations are invited to be present.

Mr. G. H. Vinnall left Kobe on Friday, December 9 on the Empress of Russia to meet Mrs. Vinnall, who is returning from England, in Hongkong. They expect to return to Kobe at the end of December but will soon thereafter leave for Yokohama, where Mr. Vinnall will have charge of the work of the reorganised and united British and American Bible Society.

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JOCKEY CLUB DEFENCE OPENED IN LIBEL ACTION

(Continued from Page 7.)

had been made by the Stables Sub-Committee and also by the Stewards? We did everything possible to solve this difficulty.

And his name was posted only after he had refused to pay on two occasions, in writing, and had disregarded the letter sent by the Secretaries on April 22—I think that is so.

Was it the opinion of the Stewards that this money was due and owing?—Yes. They all agreed that it was owing.

Mr. Brayfield has been an owner and has raced for many years?—Yes.

Have you ever heard him complain of the system of feeding carried out by the Stables Sub-Committee?—No.

Has he ever made any recommendation at all to the Stewards or to the Stables Sub-Committee?—No, far as I know.

Was there a rather faint suggestion by him that every pony should have its own storage bin for fodder?—That was what I gathered in my conversation with him. The fodder should be measured out to each pony and the Stables management should see to it that it was so. I pointed out to him, however, that this was impracticable because it would necessitate the employment of a large staff to see that every pony has its share of the fodder.

CHECK ON BINS

Mr. Macnamara: Did not Mr. Brayfield say that a check be made of the bins to see how much fodder there was at the end of the month?—I am afraid I did not gather that. I understood that he wanted each pony to have its own feed.

Wasn't it right that what was actually discussed was the measurement of the bins?—I might have misunderstood him.

You said that the Stewards had all agreed that this extra fodder had been consumed by Mr. Brayfield's ponies, is that right?—I took it they all agreed. As far as I can remember, everybody agreed.

But the actual evidence was the evidence of the trainer, was it not?—The Stables manager reported to us that the trainer had come and acquired the fodder. I agree it was the actual evidence of the trainer, which was passed on to the Stewards by the Stables manager.

You have heard Mr. Brayfield and his two mafios say in evidence that he has been supplying on his own extra food to his ponies?—Yes.

If that is true, would you agree with him that there would be no necessity for giving his pony another 14 lbs.?—No.

QUESTION OF FODDER

That would bring it to 20 lbs.—I can't agree because I can't tell how much food Mr. Brayfield gave to his ponies.

Mr. Brayfield said he brought about 6 lbs. Do you still think 14 lbs. more is necessary?—I should think 10 lbs. of fodder quite enough for a pony though I have a pony in my own stable having only 9 lbs. If a pony is in hard training he eats more.

If Mr. Brayfield's story is true, he would naturally be a bit astonished to get the bill charging him \$9.10 a month?—I suppose he would, but it does not necessarily mean he did not get the extra fodder.

AN UNPLEASANT NOTE

Mr. Brayfield wrote the letter on March 19, probably with a slight sense of irritation, would you agree that it was an unpleasant note?—Yes. He has been described as an unreasonable man by Mr. Potter, do you agree?—I believe he was unreasonable. Would you agree with me that a man may sometimes be unreasonable and yet honest?—Yes.

Do you doubt that Mr. Brayfield was dishonest in denying that this fodder was not supplied?—I am not going to disbelieve him because I have no way of proving it.

HONEST CLAIM IF PROVED

Isn't his claim an honest one?—If he could prove it, yes. I don't think Mr. Brayfield would be dishonest about it.

It has been stated that there was a bona fide dispute about the account, do you agree?—We decided there was a dispute, but we had proof which satisfied us that the money was due.

But at the time you conceived this honest in resisting this claim?—I don't know, if you put it quite like that. Of course, he was honest in resisting it, but I think he was wrong. And unreasonable?—Yes.

There has been some talk that the proper attitude to take up in connection with disputed accounts, to which Article 79 does not apply as we submit, would be to sue in the Summary Court. Do you agree that this is so?—I emphatically disagree with you. We have to administer the rules of the Association, and there was no other course to adopt than to post Mr. Brayfield's name. We have given him ample time to try and solve this question.

Was it ever discussed between the Stewards as to whether Mr. Brayfield should be sued or not?—Not as far as I know.

THE BETTER COURSE

I am putting it to you that this would have been the better course because many people object to be called a defaulter?—I still maintain we have no alternative but to post his name up. Some people are afraid of being sued in Court and some to being called a defaulter.

Mr. Brayfield does not mind being cited as defendant but objects strongly to being called defaulter because the latter term implies dishonesty. I put it to you that it is a serious thing to call a man a defaulter because there is an imputation on his

United Americas Declaration Soon

New York, Dec. 15.

The Argentine has taken command of all matters dealt with at the Pan American Conference relating to defence and strategy regarding the American continent, according to the Lima correspondent of the "New York Times."

He adds that the Argentine delegation has taken over the drafting of whatever "United American Front" declaration may be presented to the conference.

General Campanini, the Italian Minister at Panama, who, according to the correspondent, is understood to be the organizer of Fascist units throughout Central America, has arrived at Lima to act as observer at the conference.—Reuter

honestly?—No. Not in circumstances of this kind.

You say you have no other course open to you?—According to the Article, no. The need is up of a name in the usual procedure.

You still maintain that this is so in every case where there is a dispute?—Yes, if we are satisfied we are in the right.

You don't agree with my suggestion then that the proper course to adopt is to sue?—No.

About your interview with Mr. Brayfield, I quite appreciate your motives. Did you not go and see Mr. Brayfield for the sole purpose of getting him to pay?—I thought he would be reasonable and pay.

Mr. Sheldon: If Mr. Brayfield had paid under protest and negotiated afterwards to ascertain whether the sum should be paid or not, would his name be posted up under these circumstances?—No.

What is the system in the stables when a trainer requires extra supplies?—He goes to the office and orders it.

In answer to His Lordship, Mr. Penrice said that every case had to be considered by the Stewards before a person's name was posted up.

TRAINER'S EVIDENCE

To Kuo-po, a trainer employed by the Jockey Club and who had been in charge of Mr. Brayfield's ponies, said that each pony was allowed 13 lbs. of fodder each day and any excess was to be charged to the owner.

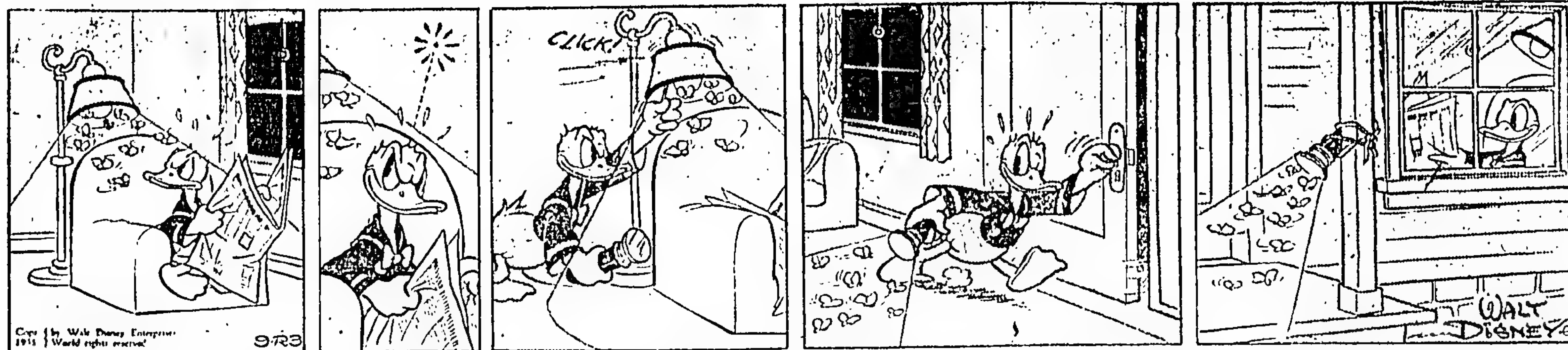
Mr. Brayfield had two ponies—Salvage Master and Ship Master—and the latter was very thin when he first took charge of it in January last. During that month he gave 13 lbs. of fodder to each pony, but during February, when the annual meeting was held, he increased this to 14 1/2 lbs. In the case of Salvage Master and 14 1/2 lbs. in respect of Ship Master. He also had charge of seven other ponies, two of which he also gave extra fodder. As trainer he was the only person who measured out the feed for the ponies, and nobody else. He drew the fodder from the Jockey Club and signed for it.

On February 5 or 6 last, he spoke to Mr. Brayfield about excess fodder, saying, "this pony pay more chow, not strong." Mr. Brayfield did not reply though he appeared to understand what he said. At the end of the month, the clerk of the stables told him he had overdrawn 183 lbs. of fodder and he replied they were for the ponies of Mr. Brayfield and Messrs. Wolf and Harrison. Subsequently, the clerk informed him that Mr. Brayfield had complained of the excess, and he (witness) replied that Mr. Brayfield ought to pay as they were for his ponies.

On one occasion he spoke to Mr. Brayfield, "All this month more chow and next month no more." Mr. Brayfield replied: "J

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BERLIN JEWS DEFAULT ON LEVY AS
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PAY FIRST FINE
INSTALMENT
Reichsbank Chief's
Secret Parleys

BERLIN, Dec. 15. MANY JEWS were unable to pay their share when the first instalment of the milliard mark levy fell due to-day.

The instalment totalled 250,000,000 marks payable by Jews with over 5,000 marks worth of property.

It is learned that only a small portion of those assessed were able to pay in cash.

The remainder instructed their banks to negotiate securities, while others are negotiating mortgages on their property accordingly.

Many have not yet produced any part of their share.—*Reuter.*

MAY FIND BASIS FOR TRUCE While the greatest reserve is being maintained about his movements, the general impression is that his visit to London as the guest of Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, continued his discussions to-day.

Hongkong Still
Centre For
China's Trade
With World

CHUNGKING, Dec. 15. CHINESE SOURCES state that despite the Japanese occupation of Canton and Hankow, Hongkong remains the centre of China's export trade.

At present along two trunk lines, Chinese exports are flowing abroad, with Hongkong as the stepping-stone.

The two main routes for the Chinese export trade after the loss of Hankow and Canton have been the Haiphong-Kunming railway and the Chungking-Kwangchowwan highway.

It is stated that thousands of giant American and Soviet trucks are busily transporting native products along the south-west highway abroad. Native goods, when gathered at Kunming are transported to Haiphong and then to Hongkong for ocean liners. The products of the vast interior are also gathered at Chungking and then sent by trucks to Kwangchowwan via Kweiyang and Kweilin.

It takes about seven days for goods from Chungking to reach Kwangchowwan Bay, and from there they go to Hongkong to connect with the ocean liners.

A foreign trade commission of the Ministry of Finance is at present the national organisation controlling foreign trade. It is doing its utmost to encourage exportation, especially since the fall of Hankow and Canton, as part of the Chinese national policy in order to cover the Chinese financial position.

Altogether 24 native products are under the commission's control, chief among which are wood-oil, pig-bristles, wool, ox, goats, skins and drugs which represent the main products of the provinces in West China.

The exportation of wood-oil is a very important factor in foreign credit loans to China. The period of prosperity in the exportation of wood-oil has been since the beginning of the war up to the time of the fall of Canton and Hankow. The climax was reached last June when the total figure of exports for that month was 137,892 tons, while the figures for the month of November are reduced by about 80 per cent, namely about 28,000 tons.

The main reason for this is the cutting of the Yantze River and the Canton-Hankow railway along which the wood-oil was transported for abroad.

The next very important item, second only to wood-oil, is Szechwan's pig bristles. This is best for toothbrushes which are manufactured in America. Szechwan is one of only two places in the whole world producing pig bristles. Last June 26, 600 tons of these bristles were exported, but the figure increased to 82,000 tons in November, the main reason being the rise in the price of world markets, and secondly the convenience of transportation by trucks.

The difficulty confronting the Government regarding its exportation by the south-west highway is a shortage of trucks, and the Government is encouraging exporting merchants to purchase trucks, and is also encouraging exportation in every possible way.—*United Press.*

"Give My Prize Money To
Some Poor Children"

1 Torres Bridge
Dear Uncle Eddie
Please give my
prize money to some
poor children fund
love from
Moira Patey
I am a Brownie

THIS IS A LETTER received by "Uncle Eddie" who conducts the Children's Corner, for one of last week's prize-winners—eight-year-old Moira Patey. Moira's prize, valued at \$3, has been sent to the Society for the Protection of Children.

SMALL-POX ON BLUE
FUNNEL LINERChinese Fireman Contracts
Disease In Yokohama

ON NOVEMBER 23 the Blue Funnel steamer Pyrrhus sailed from Hongkong with a clean health bill. Two days ago, however, while the ship lay at Yokohama, a Chinese fireman was discovered to have smallpox and was removed to the local isolation hospital.

To-day he caused consternation among the Yokohama water police by breaking out of hospital.

The Chinese was free for eight hours. He was then discovered hiding in the Pyrrhus about three miles away from the hospital. His explanation was that he broke out because he feared he would be required to pay for his medical treatment and that, moreover, he did not believe smallpox was contagious.

It is considered unlikely that the schedule of the Pyrrhus will be affected.

BRITISH
CREDITS
BOYCOTTObvious Hint By Mr.
Oliver Stanley

London, Dec. 15. Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, replying to the debate in the House of Commons on the Export Guarantees Bill, said that Mr. Pethwick Lawrence had expressed the hope that credits would not be used for countries violating international law, or whose attitude appeared to be hostile towards Britain.

Mr. Stanley continued: "I don't want to name names, or to lay down that for the duration of his Bill certain countries are always going to be our enemies, but I do want to go as far as I possibly can to meet any fears felt on this subject. Although countries haven't been named, I have a fairly shrewd idea which they are. I can say that not only those countries never asked for credits under a section such as this, but there is no contemplation that credits of this kind shall be given to them."—*Reuter.*

COMMERCIAL PRIZES

The first annual prize distribution of the Wah Tak School of Commerce will be held at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, at 10 a.m. on Sunday. Mr. Lo Man-ho will present the certificates and prizes.

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6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) This is my night to dream; (b) A-Flasket, A-Flasket; (c) My heart is taking lessons; (d) Darktown Strutter's Ball.

6.14 Record: Arabia—Danza (Oyanguren); Andaluca (Oyanguren); Julio Martinez Oyanguren (Guitar).

6.21 (a) This time its real; (b) My Bonnie Lies over the Ocean; (c) Hawaii Calls; (d) Oh! Boom.

6.35 Records: Rose Dreams (Starkey); Swanee Moon (Towers and Pelosi); George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet, with vocal chorus; I've Got Two Lips—Quickstep.

Gerry Moore (Piano).

6.44 (a) My Own; (b) That foolish feeling; (c) You're as pretty as a picture; (d) A Rhythm Excursion.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Musical Comedy Selections.

"Love, Life and Laughter"—Selection; New Myfair Orchestra; "Wild Violets"—Vocal Gems (Stolz).

Maria Elster and Martin Kraemer of The State Opera, Dresden, with Chorus and Orchestra; Noel Coward Medley.

The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall, with vocal chorus; "Queen of Hearts"—Selection; "It's Love Again"—Selection.

Sydney Kyle and His Piccadilly Hotel Band, with vocal chorus.

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Jockey Club Defence Opened in Libel Action

Taipan's Claim Arising Out of Posting of Name as Defaulter

PONY'S FEED BILL IN DISPUTE

THE CASE for the Jockey Club, defendants in the libel action brought by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, was opened by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. this morning before a special jury.

Plaintiff's case was concluded yesterday.

Mr. Brayfield claims unlimited damages for being posted at the Club as a defaulter in respect of an account for \$9.10 for excess fodder for his ponies Salvage Master and Shipmaster.

Mr. Potter said this morning that plaintiff was unreasonable and obstructive throughout and if he had done the reasonable thing nine months ago, the matter might easily have been cleared up then.

The jury comprised Messrs. J. Fleming (Foreman), R. M. McJannet, C. Champin, T. B. Wilson, L. Yuk-tong, I. H. Geare and L. Dunbar.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. N. Dawson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the Jockey Club. Mr. J. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Gist, represented Mr. Brayfield.

In opening the case for the defence, Mr. Potter said five or six

witnesses would be called for the Jockey Club.

He said: "I propose to discuss the policy and conduct of the Jockey Club since they have a very relative bearing on the issue."

"The Club is an institution which gives a great deal of pleasure and recreation—and possibly some profit—to a great number of people of all nationalities."

"It is in no sense a profit-making concern; its very Articles of Memorandum forbid that a single penny of profits be distributed to members."

"These profits are used to foster racing and subsidizing very largely to charity. It is true that the Club is a company incorporated in law but that is merely for the purpose of legal convenience. It is really an association of people who either race or are interested in racing."

"As you know, the Club is governed and controlled and, to a great extent managed, by local gentlemen who gratuitously give their time and services."

"Their one job, I submit, is to see that the Club is carried on in the best interests of the members."

OBSTRUCTIVE CONDUCT

"I submit that they are at least entitled to expect the loyal co-operation and help of their fellow members and not to expect obstructive and unreasonable conduct which can do no good to anyone and may do infinite harm."

"I shall state as firmly and strongly as I can—and I hope in no exaggerated language—that the conduct of the plaintiff in respect of this matter has fallen far below the standard which the Stewards and the members can reasonably require."

"In that regard I would remind you at the outset that Mr. Brayfield's letter of March 19 said 'I decline to pay until substantial proof is made to me that my ponies consumed this excess fodder'."

"He admits that the only substantial proof that can be produced is the statement of his own trainer which, to my mind, puts an end to this case for all practical purposes."

UNHAPPY MISTAKE

"When that letter was written he knew that the only substantial proof could be afforded by the trainer and he writes later 'That in my opinion, is not substantial proof'."

"Why did he not, as a reasonable man who owed a debt to the Jockey Club and especially in his capacity as an owner-member, go to the Jockey Club and say, 'Gentlemen, there is some unhappy mistake here. I have been supplying my ponies with special extra feed provided by myself and there cannot be any more excess fodder'?"

"Would not that be the reasonable attitude? Is it not an extraordinary thing that that vital fact which could have been investigated nine months ago has been locked in his breast as far as the plaintiff is concerned until he came to Court?"

"If he had said that at the time, it could have been investigated then when it would have been much easier than nine months later. Plaintiff might well have been able to prove his point to your satisfaction then."

"He might have said to the trainer, 'You know I have been giving this extra feed, why did you give this extra fodder?' but he did nothing at all."



MR. T. H. G. BRAYFIELD.

The Story Of Little Audrey

Continued from Preceding Column

"Then his remark that he objected strongly to paying for 24 nails: Is that a reasonable thing to say?"

"It shows the mentality of the plaintiff, for we know very well that he had paid similar accounts 10 times previously. I put it to you that plaintiff has been unreasonable and obstructive."

"He belongs to the owner-members class and I can agree with him that this class gets no more as members than do any other members."

NOT PERQUISITE OF RICH

"The policy of the Club is to foster racing and it is to the credit of the Stewards that they do all they can to prevent racing from being the prerogative of the rich and, with that object in view, they have given facilities of the most generous and even of the most lavish kind to the owner-member."

"Take Shipmaster and Salvage Master. Salvage Master cost plaintiff \$450 but the Club had to pay \$581.04: they were carrying the difference. The owner-member gets his stabling for \$40 a month and a free allowance of feed of 13 lbs for each pony, with a trainer, a mufco and riding boys."

"I can, I am told, select your trainer if there is room for your pony in his stable, and the Jockey Club do not, as they might, interfere at all between the trainer and the owner."

"Plaintiff's attitude can be seen from his answer when I asked him why he went to the stables and inspected the system for serving out the feed."

"He said 'To see that I was getting value for my money.' If anybody was getting value for his money, it was Mr. Brayfield, I submit."

"Counsel detailed the system of serving out the feed to the trainer who was the agent of the owner in this matter. The excess was calculated quite simply, vouched for by the trainer—who in this case attested his honesty by producing a surplus of 100 lbs as a credit against the feed—and the final excess was divided between the owners using the stable."

"Tau's admission of the excess feed was stated by Mr. Brayfield to be the result of 'improper questioning' by the Jockey Club officials at the time."

"How it could be improper, that, and his further suggestion that the excess was debited against the 'winning pony' could be proved to be without a shred of truth."

SALVAGE MASTER WEAK

"Tau said he reported the excess to Mr. Brayfield, who said he could not recollect what Tau had said to him."

"Tau will say that there was a very good reason for giving the excess feed. He will say that Salvage Master, which had arrived in November, was weak and required strengthening and, in his opinion, wanted excess fodder."

"He would further say that Shipmaster was thin and Mr. Brayfield

Chairman Of Club In Witness Box

himself had admitted that it was in poor condition.

"Little Audrey, as an Australian pony, I am informed, would require even more feed than a China pony and there were express instructions from this pony's owners that it was to receive extra feed."

"Little Audrey, if I may, anti-climax my friend, did not laugh, and laugh because she did not get her extra 91 lbs. She did get it, and Mr. Brayfield was debited with the other half of the excess."

WON \$3,000 IN STAKES

"Salvage Master, I am told, has won \$3,000 in stake money already and if I may believe Mr. Sheldon, should win the Autumn Championships to-morrow! (Laughter)."

"When owners have a good pony like that they nurse them and Tau, apart from his evidence, had the strongest reasons for giving it excess fodder."

"To deal with the interview with Mr. Pearce who, Mr. Brayfield says, spoke to him in a rasping voice, Mr. Pearce will say that he spoke to plaintiff to persuade him to act in a reasonable manner and is it not remarkable that when Mr. Pearce the Chairman of the Club, spoke to him in this friendly way, plaintiff did not say 'It's a strange thing, old man, about this excess feed, because I had been giving the ponies excess feed myself'?"

"As regards the publication of the libel, you will appreciate that it could not have been published in a less non-committal form. The notice said 'That Mr. Brayfield would be dealt with under Article 79.' We were faced with a frank denial to pay when the Stewards were satisfied that the money was due."

"We were told that we ought to have sued for the money, but with regard to an action in the Summary Court I shall convince my friend by the scale of costs that if we had brought such an action we should have had to pay the costs ourselves and they would have been \$40."

"That is not the way to collect a debt of \$9.10. We are given powers to post to enforce payment of amounts which are due and the true construction of the Article is by the Stewards in the last but one Article in the book that if the account is due, the members must be posted. Otherwise it would not be fair to other members of the Club."

FIRST WITNESS CALLED

The first witness called for the defence was Mr. Thomas Ernest Pearce.

He said he was Chairman of the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club, succeeding Mr. M. T. Johnson, when he went on leave last year.

Prior to becoming Chairman, he was and still is a member of the Stewards Stable Sub-Committee, which had general supervision over all matters dealing with stables. In 1934, went on witness, the Jockey Club was running at a loss, there being a deficiency in the balance sheet dated March 31, 1934, of some \$30,000.

As a result of this, the Stewards decided that several economies had to be effected from November, 1934, among which were the raising of members' subscriptions and the reduction in stakes provided for racing. These stakes were not restored until September, 1932.

Besides these economies, an inquiry was made in November, 1934, into the feeding of ponies with a view to preventing any possible wastage. Before then, the issue of fodder was unlimited and there was no check on the amounts used by trainers; they could obtain free issues up to any quantity.

During the inquiry, it was ascertained from the stable manager that the average consumption of fodder was, in certain stables, as much as 17½ lbs. per pony per day.

Major Hogg, who was appointed

veterinary surgeon of the Club in October, 1934, was consulted and he gave certain advice, amongst which was that, in his opinion, an allowance of 13 lbs. a day was ample.

FREE ISSUE LIMITED

In December, 1934, the Stewards, on the recommendation of the Stables Sub-Committee, decided that the free issue of fodder be limited to 13 lbs. and that any excess should be paid by the owners concerned.

A circular to this effect was sent out to members on January 1, 1935, when a small book on the stables bye-laws was also prepared.

Continuing, Mr. Pearce said that the first time he heard of Mr. Brayfield's objection to pay the account was when he received Mr. Brayfield's letter of March 19, through the Secretary.

The letter was first sent to Mr. Johnson as Chairman and passed on to him afterwards.

Mr. Johnson issued a memorandum on March 23 in reference to the matter, and in it he said that he thought the present system was a reasonable one and that he saw no ground for waiving the charge against Mr. Brayfield.

Mr. Sheldon: Some more letters were passed and on April 12 you saw a letter from Mr. Brayfield in which he declined to pay this \$9.10?

—Yes.

—There was a race meeting on April 10—Yes.

Between those two dates what did you do about this letter?—I held it up because I thought that an interview with Mr. Brayfield would possibly settle the matter and I proposed to see the Stewards on April 10 to ask them to agree to this procedure. So I held the letter over until April 10.

WAY OUT OF UNPLEASANTNESS

I thought that if I had a word with Mr. Brayfield there would be a way out of this unpleasantness. I spoke to the Stewards and they agreed that I should speak to Mr. Brayfield, and I did so.

Mr. Brayfield has said that all you did was to demand payment of \$9.10. Is that right?—I can hardly believe I should go for appeasement in a hostile manner.

"I was really trying to clear up this matter and I approached him in a friendly sort of spirit."

"If my voice of one was not what it should have been I can assure you it was quite unintentional. But it was in the very best of spirit that I tried to solve this difficulty."

"I pointed out to Mr. Brayfield that we had from the stables manager that the trainer had drawn this fodder, and that that was sufficient for us to request payment. He maintained that the fact that his trainer had said he had drawn this fodder was not evidence, and he seemed to remain dissatisfied."

RAN AFTER MR. BRAYFIELD

"At that particular moment a lady came up and spoke to me. After she had moved away I ran after Mr. Brayfield and tried to resume our conversation, but we could not get on. He maintained his view that he was not entitled to pay and the matter was left there."

There seemed to be a storm in the tea cup about absolutely nothing at all?—That seemed to be the case.

About Article 79 of the Club, there was no alternative but to apply it in order to enforce payment?—No.

And in fact at the end of every month, a list of unpaid accounts is circulated by the Secretaries with the request whether that Article should be carried out or not?—That's right.

This was not adopted immediately in the case of Mr. Brayfield because, though his account for February was unpaid, his name was not posted up until April, the reason being that he was disputing it?—Yes. If it had been in the ordinary course of events he would have been posted up early in April.

POSTED AFTER INQUIRY

Was the name of Mr. Brayfield posted until every possible inquiry (Continued on Page 4.)

Many British Exiles Return

Thousands Go Home For Christmas

LONDON, Dec. 15.

THE CALL to Britain for Christmas time is being answered by thousands from all parts of the Empire.

By far the biggest number of exiles returning to the country for Christmas are from India, and further East.

Hitherto a comparatively mild winter has been experienced and huge crowds daily pack the popular business centres of the metropolis, including 1,000 "colonials," who find strong evidence that anticipation of Yuletide is dispelling the gloom cast by the events of a critical year.

In preparation for the heavy holiday traffic, beginning next week the four main line railway companies have arranged to run more than 2,500 additional long-distance passenger expresses and extra trains for parcels mails.

Enquiries at Imperial Airways show that the heavy Empire air mail traffic is being handled as smoothly and expeditiously as possible. No fewer than 18 planes—flying boats and land planes—look off from Southampton for Empire destinations on one day, and "no difficulty is being experienced" in disposing of the heaviest Christmas mail ever.—*Reuter.*

Archbishop Leaves League Union

London, Dec. 15.

Cardinal Hinsley, the Archbishop of Westminster, has announced his withdrawal from the League of Nations Union, in a letter to the chairman, Lord Cecil, published here today.

The reason given by Cardinal Hinsley for this decision is that the League of Nations Union has ceased to be a non-political society.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Last Christmas Mail Leaves In 3 Planes

IN EXPECTATION that the last Christmas mail to England and Australia would be a record one, three Imperial Airways planes were lined up for departure in the dim dawn light at Kai Tak Aerodrome this morning.

It was found, however, that the mail amounted to slightly less than a ton, which is well below the record.

The three planes—Dardanus, Delta, and Delphinus—have a full loading capacity of 2½ tons; in fact, on a recent trip two of them carried 1½ tons of mail. Therefore, two of them could have handled to-day's mail comfortably, but the three nevertheless departed so that they could be ready at Bangkok to bring inward mails should they be sufficiently large to call for the use of three planes.

Both English and Australian mails will be brought from Bangkok. They will arrive on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock and not to-morrow as scheduled. The next mail from Hongkong will leave on Tuesday, being due in England on Boxing Day or one day late for Christmas greetings.

From now on Imperial Airways expects to return to its normal schedule. Adequate passenger space will again be available.

Only one passenger, Mr. R. A. Starling, left this morning. He is flying to Bangkok.

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Canada's Position In War Involving Britain

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.

A RESOLUTION, seeking to clarify Canada's position in the event of Britain becoming involved in war, will be introduced by Mr. J. S. Woodsworth, leader of the Co-Operative Commonwealth Party (which is Socialistically inclined) when Parliament reassembles in January.

The resolution reads: "That this Parliament hereby declares to other members of the Commonwealth and the world, that the power to make a declaration of war binding upon Canada, is vested solely in the Crown on the advice of its Canadian Ministers, and calls upon the

Government to introduce in the present session such legislation as may be necessary to give full effect and force to this declaration."

The resolution refers to legislation enacted in South Africa in 1934, which it says, gave the Government full internal control over exercise of the Royal prerogative on behalf of South Africa.—*Reuter.*

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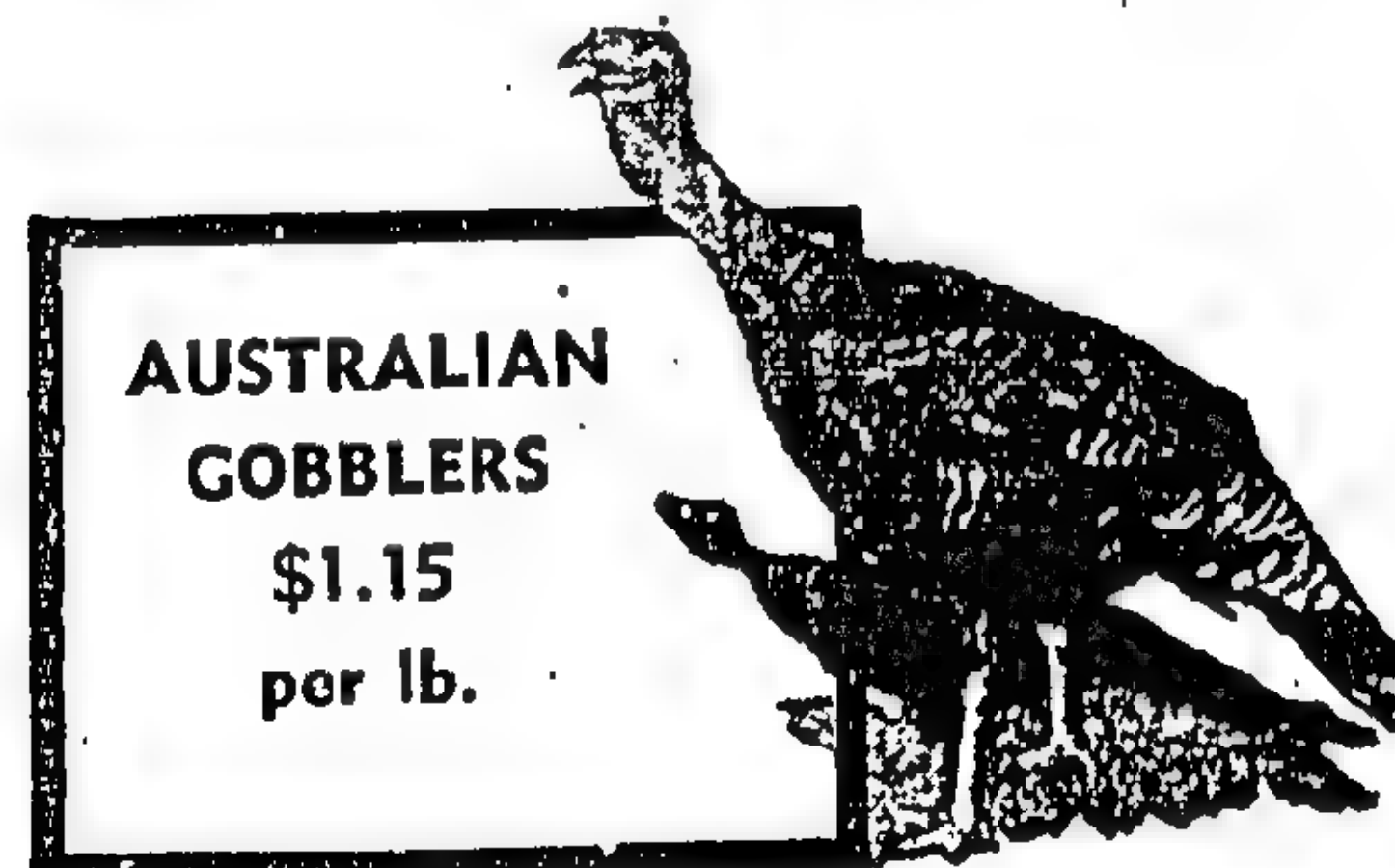
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1938 FLAT RACING SEASON CONCLUDES TO-MORROW

THREE AUTUMN CHAMPIONS FOR THE LAST MEET

SILKYLIGHT SEEMS SURE OF DUPLICATING ITS ST. LEGER SUCCESS

(By "Captain Foster")

There will be no more flat racing for the season after to-morrow when the last Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged at Happy Valley. The first saddling will be at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

We will then have to exercise patience until the Annual Carnival in February and there is no doubt that it will be a big affair. Training amongst the new batch of 1939 jockeys will be in full swing. Some anxiety was at one time felt by the Hongkong Jockey Club about the delivery of the China ponies for 1939 Annual Race Meeting, but thanks to the good weather and the fact that the programme for the carnival will not have to be curtailed.

Three Autumn champions over one and a quarter miles, confined to China ponies, Australian ponies of any season and China ponies sub-griffins will be the feature to-morrow's programme.

Attention of owners is drawn to the fact that nominations for the above three classes are post entries and it is essential that they be declared in writing by the declaration box in the usual manner. The other five minor contests are more or less consolation events confined to ponies of the Australian and China classes that have not won more than \$1,000 in stakes since January 1, and this has been provided several public favourites from donning the silk to-morrow.

It would, however, give a false colouring should I attempt to suggest that there will be no opposition in the three classic fights, but the convincing manner in which Silkylight annexed the Hongkong St. Leger run about a month ago, argues very much in favour of his chance of duplicating the success in the Hongkong Autumn Champions. The prospect is further enhanced by the presence of Mr. R. B. Moller who, it is learned, will be coming down said nice things about Mrs. J. H. Taggart's Lancashire Chips in my last racing notes, but her nomination to-morrow has a stiff proposition in Courtling Eve, belonging to Mr. Li Lan-sang, in the Queensland Autumn Champions. I am not, however, too sanguine about the stable "Wong Sai Ngau", will have an easy sailing in the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions, for the mare did not please the rail critics in her try-out last Saturday morning.

ENCARNACAO LEADS JOCKEY LIST AT PRESENT

I do not propose at this juncture to review the 1938 racing season, but it must be admitted that the Hongkong Jockey Club has had a very successful year. The presence of several good northern jockeys has contributed in our extra meetings, equipped with the remarkable sunshine weather we have had for the second half racing season. The curtain will be dropped to-morrow and it looks to me that Mr. C. Encarnacao will be the champion jockey. Hereunder is a list showing the position of those jockeys who have ten wins and over during the season:

	Wins	2nds	3rds
C. Encarnacao	24	18	17
A. W. Raymond	23	17	8
V. V. Moller	22	12	14
B. A. Proulx	18	9	15
H. C. Pihl	16	15	13
S. C. Liang	13	10	14
D. Black	13	7	10
P. Y. T. Wei	11	4	8
L. B. Chao	10	11	6

By scoring a "hat-trick" in Macao last Sunday, Mr. A. W. Raymond has improved his position and should give the leader a good run for the honour. A win for Mr. Raymond will result in a tie.

OPENING EVENT

Boar Claw Only Old-Timer In Race

Punters should be present to see the opening event, the Hongkong Autumn Champions confined to China ponies over 1 1/4 miles, and I am certain that it will be the best contest of the afternoon. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys:

Boar Claw	S. W. Tang
Cameronian	C. Encarnacao
Confusion Bay	H. J. Harne
Expression Time	V. V. Moller
Silkylight	R. B. Moller

Boar Claw is the only old timer against the youngsters of this year and it seems to me that he is going out to pace his stable mate Confusion Bay.

Able Amazon Given Top Weight Here

The "Lagardes" Handicap over a mile for Australian ponies that have not won more than \$1,000 has drawn only a handful of entries. Able Amazon holds the post of honour with 165 lbs. to carry and I think the mare has a good sporting chance of collecting the first prize. Derby Day and Ranger are nicely weighted, the latter looking extremely well.

Rose Jane Good Bet In Tardy H'Cap

There were two divisions among the "C" entries of China ponies at the first meeting, but to-morrow's Tardy Handicap over a mile has only three first section runners. Lucky, who finished second behind Tampa Bay (the latter eventually disqualified for bumping), has been penalised 15 lbs. and this, I am afraid, may hinder his chance. This stallion is owned by Mr. E. T. Fong, who has another two nominations in Rose Jane and Rose-Queen. I have not been able to discover which stallion will be the mount of the potential champion jockey, but Rose Jane is a good bet to have your money on. The latter mare ran a good race behind Rose Evelyn (winner) and Soldier of China in the Portobello Handicap and it will be recalled that the time of the second section was faster than the first division. Jungle Jim seems to be in better condition, but the guy is not the same fellow of his prime. Night View is handy at 140 lbs. and may upset the applecart.

Courting Eve Should Win Aussie Race

The following undermentioned Australian ponies:

Centre Court to be ridden by	Mr. S. W. Tang
Courting Eve	do
Lancashire Chips	do
Lucky Lad	do
Snowy River	do
Strathroy	do

It is likely to weigh out for the Queensland Autumn Champions over a course of 1 1/4 miles, but I cannot advocate the claims of any pony to beat Courting Eve. With due respect to the capability of Lancashire Chips as a racer, I am afraid this chestnut may not last the distance and furthermore Mrs. Taggart's candidate has not a pull in the matter of poundage. In his last outing when he trounced Courting Eve, Lancashire Chips was in receipt of 13 lbs. whereas to-morrow Mr. Proulx is to tip the scale at 152 lbs. and Mr. Pihl has to draw only 155 lbs. The form book shows that Courting Eve has always been over a stone better than Lancashire Chips and the possibility of reversing the handicapper's distribution of the lead is very remote. The champion, Strathroy, appears to be in the pink of condition and he and Centre Court should be in the limelight at the finish. The Fremantle St. Leger winner, Lucky Lad, with Vic Needa in the saddle will make his debut among the "A" class runners, but his chance of a place is like a camel passing the eye of a needle.

DOUBLE CHANCE INCURS PENALTY OF SEVEN POUNDS

By virtue of his win in Macao, Major Oliver's Double Chance has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. in the Dilatory Handicap for "B" class runners over a mile, and incidentally



A scene at the paddock during saddling time in the St. Andrew's Stakes at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley. The pony on the right is Mrs. Dunbar's Red Feather, winner of the event, with Mr. F. Y. T. Wei up, and at left is Cossack's Beauty, with Mr. Y. T. Fung in the saddle.—Pictorial News.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The "Telegraph" forecast on Home Football matches scored again last week. Eight teams were specially picked out to win at home, and they all did! The following are the teams selected to win in to-morrow's programme:

HOME WINNERS

Arsenal
Brentford
Everton
Blackburn
Manchester C.
West Ham
Celtic
Kilmarnock

OPTIONAL SELECTIONS

Chatterfield
Crystal Pal.
Doncaster R.
Gateshead

this event will be the first leg of the daily double. It is, however, to be regretted that the list of entries is not much longer, but, owing to the mediocre class of animals, the puzzle is that everyone has an equal chance. It looks that the winner is to be found among the low weighters, such as Diogenes, Ebony Idol and Flybynight, the last being the cream. In the middle of the assessment, Plain View should have

some say, but Royal Highness and Tiny Star have some tons to carry and both of them do not seem to be in good condition.

Dekko Tipped For Autumn Champions

Good Run Made In Morning Gallop

The conditions of the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions are for China ponies that have started in at least three extra meetings and the winner is to receive \$1,000. Cuban Love, Dekko, Easy Time, Fel Ying, Golden Cow, Lancashire Chips, National Guard, Piet Hein, Salvage Master, Smiling Thru, Split Head, The Leopard, Tribute and Wenning are eligible for the last classic of the season, and I doubt all will face the start. The likely starters with their respective jockeys are as follows:

Dekko	H. P. Chanson
Fel Ying	A. W. Raymond
National Guard	S. W. Tang
Piet Hein	H. C. Pihl
Salvage Master	B. L. Too
Tribute	S. L. Yuen
Wenning	L. Wade

Louis XIV is ineligible owing to the fact that he has started only twice after the Annual Carnival and

F. A. CUP RE-PLAY RESULTS

Three More Teams In Third Round

London, Dec. 15. Stockport, Chester and Yeovil and Potters were the successful teams in the Second Round re-plays in the F. A. Cup to-day. The following were the results:

Walthamstow	1	Stockport	3
Hull	0	Chester	1
Yeovil & Potters	1	Folkestone	0

—Reuter.

Golden Cow is definitely not accepting.

From the entries, the issue is between Dekko and Salvage Master, and Piet Hein has a sporting chance of a place in the lowest position. In the book form, Salvage Master (the winner of Sub-griffins St. Leger) should walk away with it, but it seems to me that the mare is not well keyed for the event while Dekko impressed me in his try-out last Saturday. There is no better time recorder than a stopwatch, but it does not give you all the necessary information. Salvage Master went over the full distance last Saturday in 3.00.4/5 while Dekko covered the same course in 2.54.3/5. Comparing the training times returned by Salvage Master and Dekko over the week end, the latter's figure was faster than Salvage Master's time by six one-fifth seconds, but what weights did they carry? As said, I was very much impressed with the finish of Dekko in the home run and I therefore give him my vote to be followed by Salvage Master and Piet Hein.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

There is a short list of only eight nominations for the second leg of the daily double and I cannot see anything to touch A Great Time in the Last Chance Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile. It is almost a dead certainty. Dredon is not a mile, but the punt is just right for Violet Queen. Cape York is a moody animal and he has the lowest weight to shoulder. He put up a fast three-quarters of a mile last Wednesday, covering the length in 1.26.1/5 and it would be advisable not to overlook this. For a long shot, Cape York is worth the investment of \$5 each way.

LAST EVENT

The Final Handicap for "E" class China ponies over a mile will close the second half racing season. Styxie, who won a race in Macao last Sunday has incurred a penalty of 7 lbs. and we can therefore leave him out of the reckoning. Wenning may start in the champion classic, but should he weigh out here, he and Easy Time should be joint favourites. Tabby Cat is due for a win, but be careful with Sea Dragon who is in the right class.

RIDING TEST ON SUNDAY

Since writing the above I have been informed that the riding test of the subscription griffins will take place at the Racecourse on Sunday, December 18, at 7.30 a.m. The draw for the ponies finally accepted by the stewards will be held in the Administration Block at the Stables on Monday, December 19, at 5 p.m. sharp.

Here And There With "Abe"

STANDARD OF WOMEN'S TENNIS DETERIORATES

CONSIDERING the fact that it was a semi-final tie, the match between Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Tracey, on one side, and Mrs. Burnett and Miss Violet Bradbury, on the other, in the Ladies' Doubles tennis championship of the Colony, played at the United Services C.C. on Wednesday, was extremely disappointing. The standard of play was poor and the monotony of the exchanges, with both pairs hugging the base-lines, was unrelieved by a volley or a smash. Whilst watching the match, one even had the time to ponder over the state of women's tennis in the Colony at the present moment and rather reluctantly, one had to admit that if that was the standard of semi-finalists, then ladies' tennis in Hongkong has indeed sadly deteriorated. In view of the commendable spirit in which most of the ladies joined the competition, it would be churlish to criticise their lack of skill; but inevitably one compares them with players of not so long ago who added lustre to the game here. One recalls Mrs. Tottenham, Miss Enid Le (now Mrs. Little), Mrs. Kayll, Mrs. James, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Rosamund Hancock—all these and others were a cut above the present-day players. One even doubts whether Miss Rose Perry, who won all three titles—the singles, doubles and mixed doubles—for which she completed last year, would have been able to hold her own against any one of these I have named.

Why Is It?

A PART from the fact that we have players living in our midst, why is it that the standard has deteriorated? Looking around the clubs any Sunday, one finds almost as many ladies as men playing tennis. The lowering of the general level is probably not due to any lessening of interest in the game. More likely it is due to a diffusion of interest. Until quite recently, the majority of girls played tennis and tennis only; now, they play as many games as they can find time for. Look at the interest being shown in softball, for instance. You would not have thought it possible a year ago. We now have girls playing tennis on week-days, hockey on Saturdays and softball on Sundays, with a couple of softball practices thrown in during the week. Last summer it was a common sight both at Happy Valley and at King's Park to see ladies taking a hand at lawn bowls. Is it any wonder why the standard of tennis has deteriorated?

Bad Luck Indeed

BEFORE leaving the subject of tennis, here's a bit of bad luck hard to beat. It concerns H. D. Ramjahn, one of the most popular tennis players in the Colony. For three years running, "H.D." and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu have been in the final of the Mixed Doubles Championship of the Colony, only to lose when the title, seemed within their grasp. This year, with the

They Come—And Go

MRS. LITTON and Miss Hancock and Miss Perry are local products; the others were here because their husbands were stationed or working in the Colony. During their sojourn here, they raised the standard of play in the tournaments, and when their husbands left, they went away with them, leaving us the poorer. Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. Litton provided many a fine match in the Colony championship, and then Mrs. Kayll set a new standard for women in Hongkong as regards mixed doubles play. She and "Lolly" Goldmann were an unbeatable pair in the League, and their success was as much due to her hard hitting as to his skill. Then we had Mrs. Nora Wilson, small in stature but a giant in strength, who at her best was undoubtedly the best lady player in the Colony. Miss Hancock was unfortunate in that she belonged to the same generation (in tennis ability) as Mrs. Wilson, but if she was often over-shadowed, one always realised and appreciated her ability.

The Present Ones

WHO of the present lot can lay claim to being as good as those already named? I am afraid none can. Of all those in the tournament, the only one who could be compared was Mrs. Clifford, wife of Commander Clifford; but she had to go north recently before completing her matches. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, who have already reached the semi-finals of the doubles, seem to me to be the best of a rather weak bunch; and though they have yet to play Miss P. Anderson and Miss Young Wei-bun, I

Badminton

ST. JOHN'S CONTINUES GOOD FORM

S. And S. Home Loses Nine-Nil

On Wednesday, St. John's Cathedral won another match in the "B" Division of the Badminton League, defeating the S. and S. Home by 9-0. Scores:

F. H. Kwok and R. Beavan (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-4; beat Walker and Thorn 21-5.

D. Kwok and S. Newman (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-4; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-8; beat Walker and Thorn 21-8.

N. Smith and G. Lidd (St. John's) beat Nicholson and Cusack 21-3; beat Griffiths and Manuel 21-3; beat Walker and Thorn 21-8.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Two matches will be played in the Mixed Doubles League this evening; the programme being:

*Talkoo v. St. John's University
*Venue changed at request of Talkoo.

CLOSE RUGBY LEAGUE WIN

London, Dec. 15. A close victory was scored by Wigan over Barrow in the Rugby League to-day, the scores being eight points to seven.—Reuter.

opposition generally considered weak, they have been conceded a great chance of winning the championship at long last. Last week-end, they were to have played Paul Kong and Miss Lee in the quarter-finals, but on the day of the match Ramjahn developed a bad foot, and as a result he and his partner had to give a walk-over to their opponents: Bad Luck, "H.D."

Boon's Chance

ERIC (Boy) Boon, one of the National Sporting Club's greatest hopefuls, has his big chance when he meets Dave Crowley for the British lightweight boxing title. Known as "Sonny" to his friends and to the 5,000 inhabitants of his native Cambridgeshire village of Chatteris, blue-eyed, ruddy complexioned Boon has been fighting for six years. At the age of 19, he was beating boys much older than himself. Before he was 16, he had fought 40 times and won mostly on knock-outs. Until this year he continued working in his father's forge, when he reckons he got his powerful punch; and it is his exceptional punching ability that he is banking on in his bout with Crowley. That he has the punch to knock out Crowley seems to be generally admitted, but it is considered doubtful whether he is capable of creating the necessary openings against the experienced ringcraft of Crowley, whose bobbing, weaving and non-stop methods make him a difficult target.

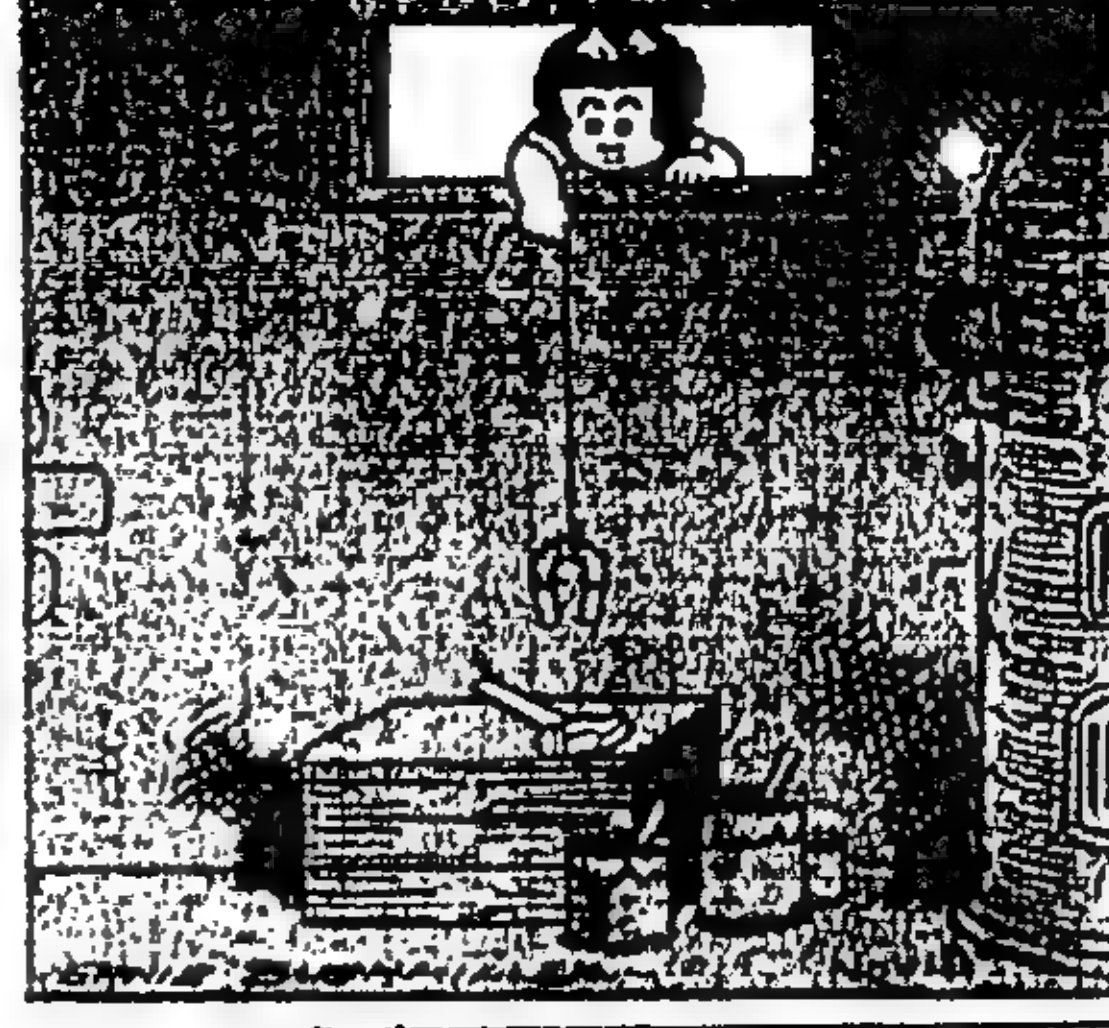
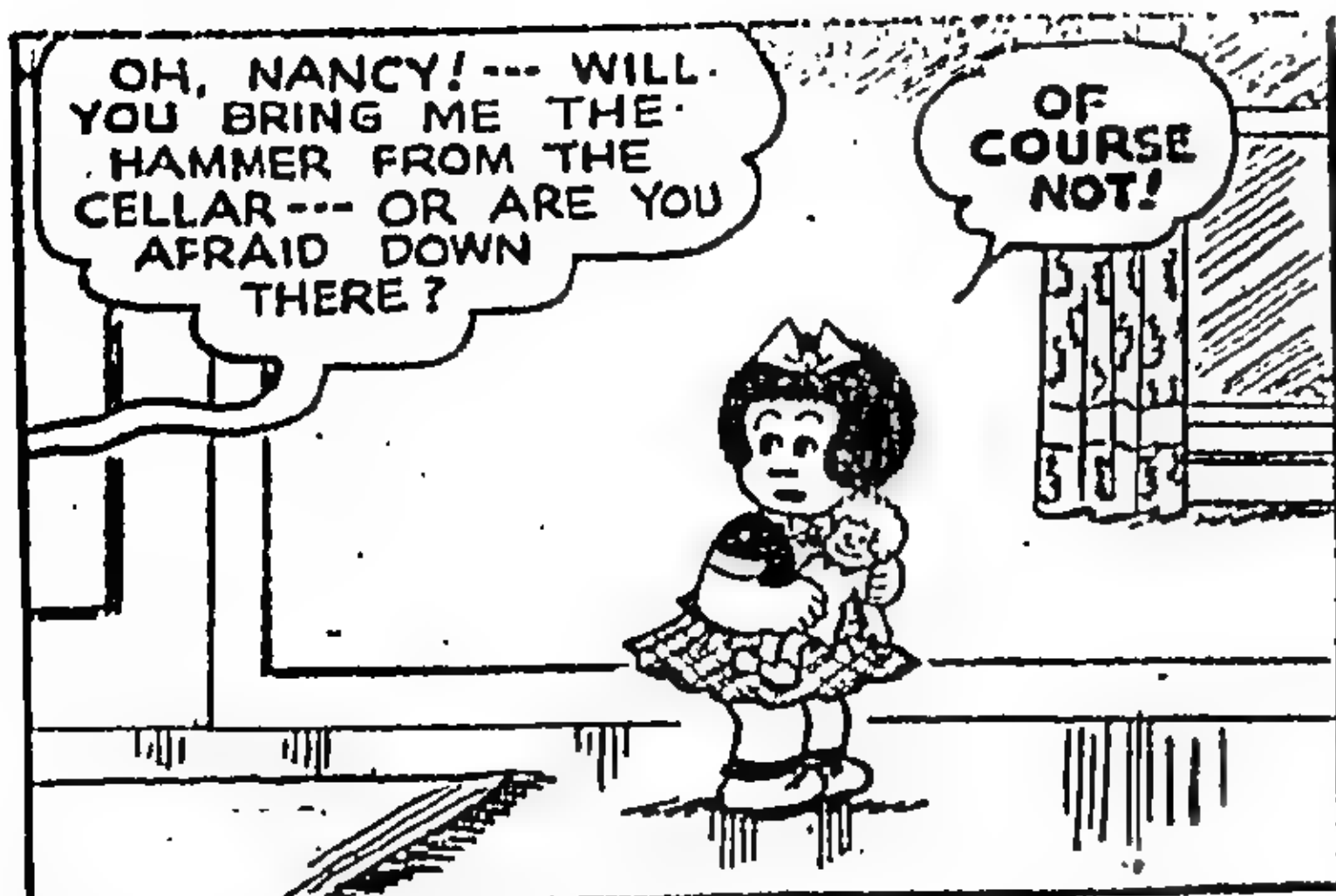
Honour For Butler

D. W. BUTLER has accepted the invitation to captain the British team to visit South Africa.



Captain Eduardo Lema of Chile takes Lantaro over a hurdle during practice at Governors Island, N.Y., for the National Horse Show at New York. Note that the horse is not wearing a bridle.

NANCY



E. R. A. Thorpe Nearly Scores First 100

Good Turn-Out At Rifle Shoot on Wednesday: an Overseas Match Practice

The 4th Submarine Flotilla were again to the fore in Wednesday's Spoon and Revolver Shoot, carrying off the Net Spoon both for S.R. (a) and S.R. (b). E.R.A. Thorpe nearly scored the first 100 of the season, and Sgt. Dumville of the R.A.S.C. scored a "possible" at 500 yards. The Hongkong Police Reserve had two members in the nineties, while the Committee have asked Inspector Chau to take part in the team practice shoot.

Scoring amongst the S.R. (a) was low. E.R.A. Thorpe of the 4th Submarine Flotilla carrying off the Net Spoon with 82. The Colony teams were firing on reserved targets, and were debarré from the Spoon Shoot. A practice for the Overseas Postal Match was carried out, eleven rounds (10 to count) at 300, 500, and 600 yards. P.O. J. C. Swan as coach very appropriately had the leading score of 138, followed by Sgt. Hale of the Middlesex with 137. The best range score was obtained by Mr. T. J. Boulton of the Dockyard Rifle Club with 48 out of 50 at 500 yards. P.O. H. Richards of the Naval Range Staff leads the S.R. (a) team with 123, scoring the consistent 41. Private Rammond of the Volunteers had the highest range score, 42, at 500 yards.

There will be a practice of the Far East Trophy Match for the S.R. (b) Colony team to-morrow at Stonecutters, the Naval Range Staff kindly placing targets at their disposal—8 rounds (7 to count) at 200, 500, and 600 yards; and a practice of the Overseas Postal Match for the S.R. (a) Colony team to-morrow at Talkoo Range, kindly lent by the Talkoo Club—11 rounds (10 to count) at 300, 500, and 600 yards. Both start at 2 p.m.

There will be the usual spoon shoot at 200, 500, and 600 yards (8 rounds) on Sunday morning, with an affiliated Club Match run concurrently; teams for the Club Match to consist of 3

S.R. (b) and 3 S.R. (a). The Clay-bird Range, Revolver Range, and two Pool Bull targets will also be open. Shooting commences at 845 a.m. on Sunday.

Lieut. A. J. Le Seclieur, R.E., has taken over duties as Assistant Honorary Secretary of the Association (Telephone, Headquarters 73).

The leading scores and spoon winners were as follows:

S.R. (b)	300	500	600	Tot.
E.R.A. Thorpe (S.R.)	24	34	24	82
C.R.A. R. W. Atkinson (2)	30	33	19	82
P.Sgt. L. C. Pennell (2)	31	32	19	82
E.A. H. J. Templeton (S.R.)	31	31	20	82
P.O. J. C. Swan (1)	30	31	21	82
Sgt. P. H. Thong (2)	34	29	19	82
Sgt. M. Dumville (3)	27	35	20	82
Lieut. W. Henderson (5)	30	31	21	82
P.O. C. Clark (S.R.)	30	30	22	82
Major E. White (4)	24	31	27	82
Sgt. A. C. Chan (4)	30	31	21	82
Sgt. A. T. J. Cum (4)	30	31	21	82
P.O. J. Scott (40)	24	31	27	82
Sgt. R. A. Neale (5)	30	28	24	82
Sgt. R. A. Neale (5)	30	28	24	82

All the above competitors used the "1914" Rifle.

S.R. (a)	300	500	600	Tot.
E.R.A. Thorpe (S.R.)	24	34	24	82
P.O. H. Richards (10)	23	32	27	82
P.O. H. Richards (10)	23	32	27	82
P.O. H. Richards (10)	23	32	27	82
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N.B. Winner of spoon had his handicap reduced as above by one point.

Practice shoot for Overseas Postal Match:

Match:		S.R. (b)			
P.O. J. C. Swan	40	45	47	132	
Sgt. P. H. Thong	45	47	45	132	
Sgt. R. G. Heap	44	46	43	132	
Capt. F. P. Sequiera	45	44	43	132	
Mr. T. J. Boulton	44	40	40	132	
Mr. U. W. Coopers	40	42	44	132	
Marine P. C. Leather	42	44	39	132	
Burg. Lt. J. B. Mackie	43	44	38	132	
Sr. C. C. Chau	41	41	42	132	
Mr. U. W. Coopers	41	42	41	132	

S.R. (a)

S.R. (a)				
P.O. H. Richards	41	41	41	121
Pte. V. M. Hammond	38	42	43	122
Mr. W. K. Gillman	40	40	41	123
Cpl. W. Nunn	41	38	39	124
Cpl. H. W. Morris	39	38	36	125
Pte. J. C. Scott	40	38	34	126
Sgt. G. W. Steer	40	39	31	127
Pte. D. M. Slim	32	41	34	128
Sgt. R. Kane	32	42	31	129
Cpl. Naqhar Singh	37	37	31	130

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Judge Hardy's Children" (King's Theatre, to-day)—Another of the series of pictures about the Hardy family. Those who liked the first one, "You're Only Young Once," are almost certain to enjoy this one too. There is a refreshing quality about the series which cannot fail to appeal, and the presence of Mickey Rooney guarantees the laughs.

"Annabel Takes a Tour" (Queen's Theatre, to-day)—For those who care for the antics of Jack Oakie will find this amusing. There has been one picture already in the same vein—Oakie as a high-pressure press agent and Lucille Ball as a cinema star, talked into trying Oakie's fool schemes.

"Always in Trouble" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day)—June Withers is starred in a role of a rich girl who is nearly always in trouble. "Bluebird's Eighth Wife" (Oriental Theatre, to-day)—The stars—Gary Cooper and Claudette Colbert. The producer and director—Ernst Lubitsch. Need any more be said? There are some splendid bits in this picture, which on the whole is splendid entertainment.

"The Prisoner of Zenda" (Majestic Theatre, to-day)—One of the best examples of the art of the Hollywood does best. Ronald Colman plays the dual role of a visiting Englishman and the irresponsible king whom he minutely resembles, taking part in a grand series of pageants, midnight chases, rendezvous in a corridor hunting lodge, duels in the bridge room of a moat and a romance with a beautiful princess, Madeleine Carroll. The well-known story re-made with new trimmings.



Allan Jones and Fanny Brice in "Everybody Sing," next change at the King's Theatre.

National U.S. Golf Title Play

New York, Dec. 6. The United States Golf Association announced to-day that it would conduct the 1939 national open golf championship at Glen View Hill between September 11 and 15.—United Press.

Starting Times Announced Golf At Fanling On Sunday

The following are the starting golf times at Fanling on Sunday:

OLD COURSE

1.15 Final of Club Championship.	1.15
2.20 S. H. Dowell, R. K. Valentine.	2.20
2.24 F. A. Remond, T. Low.	2.24
2.28 D. Lyon, W. W. C. Shewan.	2.28
2.32 G. R. Hazard, D. K. Hishop.	2.32
2.36 F. C. Young, A. R. S. Major.	2.36
2.40 K. S. Morrison, I. H. Geare.	2.40
2.44 D. S. Prophet, A. Sommerfeld.	2.44
2.48 S. T. Rutlin, J. Harrop.	2.48
2.52 N. Garfield, A. Nicol.	2.52
2.56 F. H. Williams, H. C. McGrane.	2.56
3.00 C. F. Marshall, G. McGrane.	3.00
3.04 A. D. Humphreys, R. H. Gregory.	3.04
3.08 A. B. Purves, J. Forbes.	3.08
3.12 G. T. Harrington, G. Riddell Carr.	3.12
3.16 H. N. Williamson, J. G. Campbell.	3.16
3.20 N. K. Littlejohn, A. McCallum.	3.20
3.24 H. Henry, W. J. Woodward.	3.24
3.28 T. A. Pearce, O. E. C. Marton.	3.28
3.32 C. W. Jeffries, F. Phippans.	3.32
3.36 H. H. Mackenzie, A. McCallum.	3.36
3.40 Lt. Cdr. Murray, J. W. Mayhew.	3.40
3.44 G. E. Worrall, C. M. Gee.	3.44
3.48 G. M. Park, L. M. E. Lloyd.	3.48
3.52 J. W. Albaster, J. Hall.	3.52
3.56 A. N. & Q. A. MacCallum.	3.56
4.00 J. D. Lacey, D. McCallum.	4.00
4.04 A. Murdoch, D. H. Blakie.	4.04
4.08 J. G. Campbell, H. N. Williamson.	4.08
4.12 A. W. Hodges, G. H. Bond.	4.12

NEW COURSE

9.20 S. J. H. Fox, D. J. Gilmore.	9.20
9.24 F. H. Reones, R. A. Camidge.	9.24
9.28 R. G. Gray, J. W. Anderson.	9.28
9.32 J. S. Dunnett, G. A. Leiper.	9.32
9.36 F. F. Robinson, N. P. Fox.	9.36
9.40 Mrs. Garland, Mrs. Nicol.	9.40
9.44 Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Margaret.	9.44
9.48 H. B. Williams, J. G. Cotterworth.	9.48
9.52 G. S. Archibald, Col. Matthews.	9.52
9.56 G. Milne, A. A. Bremner.	9.56
10.00 Mrs. Henderson, J. G. Cotterworth.	10.00
10.04 C. J. Bowker, A. H. Penn.	10.04
10.08 Mrs. Overy, Mrs. Mackenzie.	10.08

PRESS TEAM TO PLAY THE NAVY

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Press against the Royal Navy on the latter's ground on Sunday at 11 a.m.: G. C. Burnett, N. A. E. Mackay, J. R. Luke, H. Brokenshire, F. J. Lay, R. Lee, A. M. Omar, A. H. Hunsbain, E. R. Ellis, M. R. Abbas and Y. el Arculi.

CHINESE ACTORS ENTERTAIN

Charity Football At Valley

At the Club ground yesterday the Chinese stage and film stars entertained in aid of the War Refugee Fund.

Early in the afternoon a varied programme was given of boxing, pugilism, stick fighting, acrobatics, and singing, and the whole programme was excellently arranged and performed very capably.

At 4 p.m. a football match was played between the stage and screen actors, the stage stars winning by only goal scored.

The stage actors included in their side Sit Kok-shin the famous Hongkong actor, Sun Ma See-chung, Chan Kam-long, and Luk Fee-hung. In the film stars side were Kwong Shan-shui, Chin Tai-shuk, Shek Yau-yu, the old South China player, Yung Swan-hap and the well known star Ng Chor-fan. The game was very capably handled by Mr. W. Hollands.

Dr. Li Shu-fan kicked off for the stage actors. A small ball was used and fresh players were introduced at half time.

About half way through the first half the stage actors secured the lead when Yu Foe-sun, outside left, went through on his own, using his speed to good advantage and placed his shot well wide of the goalkeeper. After half time the film players had more of the game, but there was no further scoring.

MEDICALS BEATEN

In a Third Division "B" Section encounter at Happy Valley yesterday the 24th Battery R.A. experienced little difficulty in collecting both points by virtue of a five goals to one victory over the Medicals. The gunners fully deserved their success as they were the better balanced team and took full use of what scoring opportunities that came their way.

At the interval the Gunners led by three goals scored by Owens, Marshall and Summer. They added two more goals through Marshall after the interval and the Medicals scored 10 minutes before the close through Scriven.

WIN FOR R.A.F.

At Chatham Road yesterday the R.A.F. beat Kumon Rifles by three goals to one in the Third Division "B" Section.

The Airmen opened the score when Henley, playing at right back, took a tremendous kick from the half way line. Shortly after this the Kumons were awarded a penalty which resulted in Naranian Singh netting with a well placed shot, thus placing the teams on an even footing.

Army Team Meets Navy To-morrow Triangular Rugby Tournament Tie

To-morrow the Army will play the Navy in their first match in this season's Triangular Rugby Tournament on the Army ground at Sukunpoo. The match will commence at 4 p.m. To date there have been two matches played in this series. On Saturday, December 3, the Club beat the Army 28 points to three, while last Saturday the Club were defeated by the Navy by 24 points to 13.

Prior to to-morrow's Triangular Tournament game, there will be a match commencing at 2.45 p.m. between the Club "A" XV and a Navy XV. The Club "A" side has been selected as follows:—

J. T. Brown; D. I. Bosanquet; D. Hynes; G. S. Wilson; C. J. Powell; J. Hutchison; R. Rutherford; R. G. L. Oliphant; J. S. Dunnett (Captain); K. H. G. White; E. A. Bomps; E. W. Stout; A. G. Dalziel; T. H. Pratt and H. W. E. Heath.

ARMY BOXING FINALS

Inter-Company Bouts At Murray Barracks

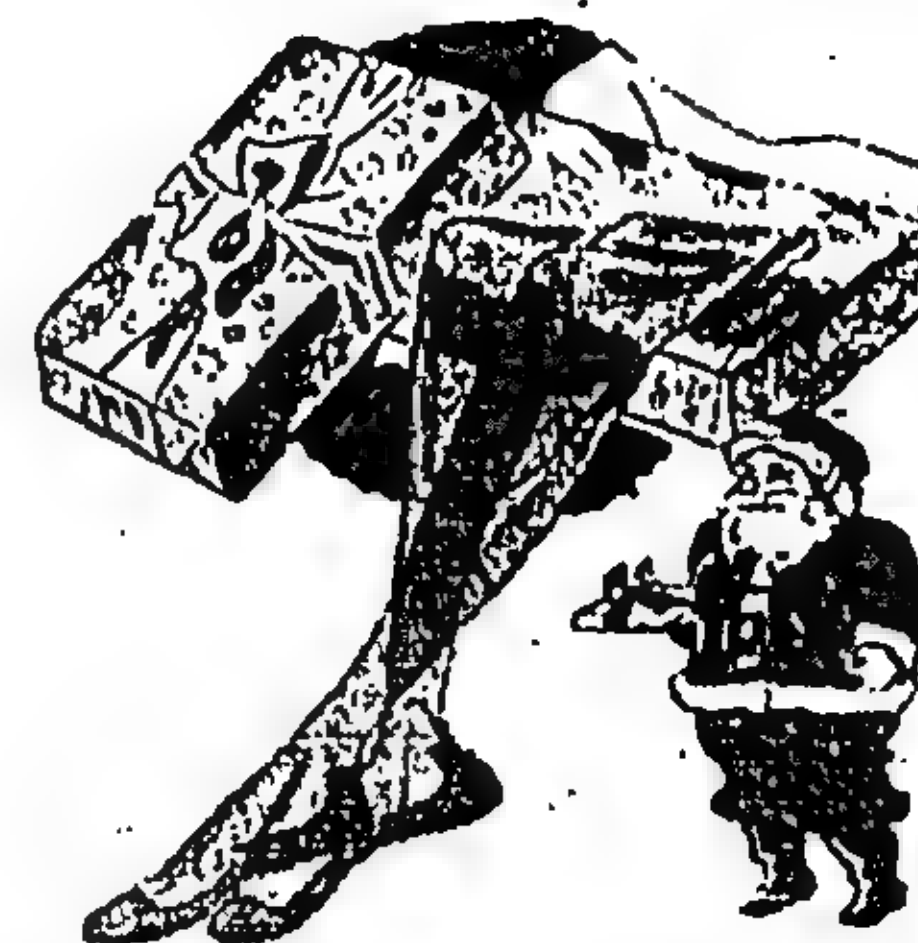
Though skill was not predominant at the Royal Scots' Inter-Company boxing finals at Murray Barracks last night, some excellent fights featured the programme. As was mentioned prior to the distribution of the prizes by Brigadier J. T. W. Reeve, not all can be boxers, but much can be said for a man who can take a beating in the ring. In this respect, L/Cpl. Lochrie (H.Q. Coy.) covered himself with glory. He fought himself to a standstill, and after several ups and downs, lost on points to Pte. Sharkey ("C" Coy.).

"C" Company won the final, beating H.Q. Company by 20 points to 13, and perhaps the cleverest and most deserved victory was that of Pte. Larkins ("C" Coy.) over Pte. Lane (H.Q.) in the heavyweight bout. Lane opened with a terrific right swing, bringing across terrible right swings, which, fortunately for Larkins, did not land. With a fine and effective left, Lane was kept, at a distance. Larkins coolly allowed him to exhaust his abundant energy before stepping into range towards the end of the second round, and taking many valuable points. Lane showed more caution in the last round, which consequently seemed comparatively "tame", but his deficit was too much to reduce, and lost on points.

The complete results were:

FINALS	
Featherweight	L/Cpl. Brown (H.Q.) knocked out Pte. Hall ("C") in the first round.
Danawweight	Pte. Scott 40 ("C") knocked out Pte. Moyes (H.Q.) in the first round.
Lightweight	First String—L/Cpl. Morley ("C") beat L/Cpl. Barker (H.Q.)
	Second String—Pte. Scott 20 ("C") knocked out Pte. Wallace (H.Q.) in the first round.
	Third String—L/Cpl. Miller ("C") knocked out Pte. McDermott (H.Q.) in the second round.
Welterweight	First String—L/Cpl. Ritchie ("C") beat Pte. Wiseman (H.Q.)
	Second String—Pte. Sharkey ("C") beat L/Cpl. Lochrie (H.Q.)
	Third String—Pte. Allan ("C") knocked out Pte. Bryant (H.Q.) in the first round.
Middleweight	First String—Ddman, Emmerson (H.Q.) beat Pte. Moore ("C")
	Second String—Pte. Butlerworth ("C") beat Pte. Cook (H.Q.)
Heavyweight	Pte. Larkins ("C") beat Pte. Lane (H.Q.)
SEMI-FINALS	
H.Q. Company beat "A" Company by 18 points to 14.	
"C" Company beat "D" Company by 18 points to 14.	
These bouts were fought on Tuesday at Murray Barracks.	

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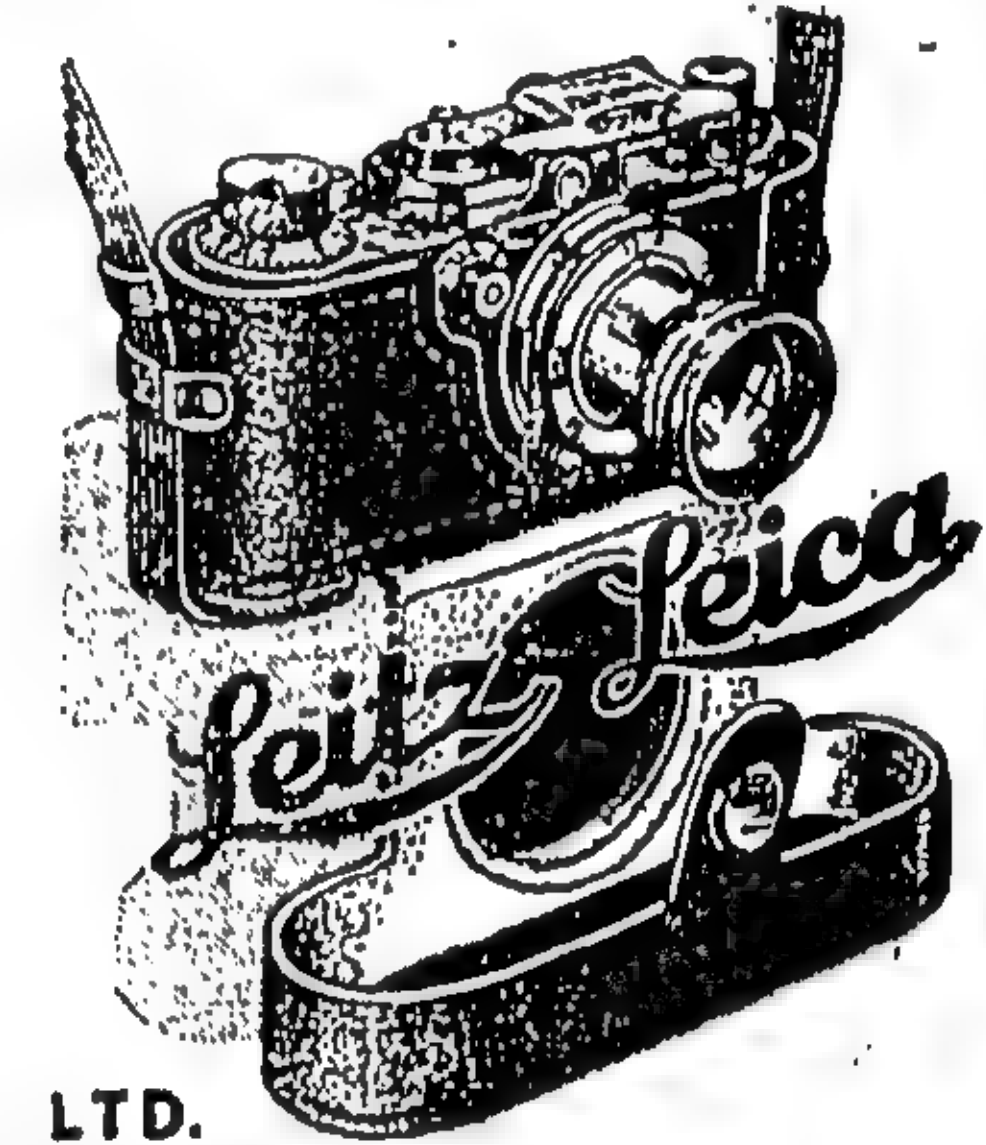
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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member. Such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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Kenseke Horinouchi and his wife are shown in Tokyo as they arrived in Washington, where Mr. Horinouchi has taken up his duties as the new Ambassador to the United States. He succeeds Hiroshi Saito, ill for several months, who was recalled to Japan.

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Mr. John Henry Mark Fane, formerly 2nd lieutenant in the Green Howards, is working as a waiter in the Berkeley Hotel, Mayfair, earning 7s. a week and tips.

Twenty-one years of age, he decided a few weeks ago that he would prefer a business life. He discussed the question with his mother, the Hon. Mrs. H. N. Fane.

"She suggested I should go into hotel work," said Mr. Fane, "and next day I went round to the Quo Vadis Restaurant in Dean-street, and Leoni gave me a job."

After two months he went to the Berkeley. Every other morning he goes to work at 9.30, and he and a young Italian, Lino Badini, wash up 750 plates and carry them from the scullery to the restaurant.

Then, from 12.30 until 3 p.m., Mr. Fane waits at table with a

white apron over his dress suit and a napkin tucked under his left arm.

He has a break until 6 p.m., then goes on duty again until 2 in the morning—a 13½-hour day.

"HE IS WILLING"

On alternate days his hours are noon till 6, and 7 till 10. He has every other Saturday and every other Sunday off, and on the Sundays when he works he has the afternoon off.

Leoni, proprietor of the Quo Vadis, said:

"Mr. Fane said he wanted to go into the business seriously. He is a good waiter. He is willing, and he does not mind starting at the bottom."

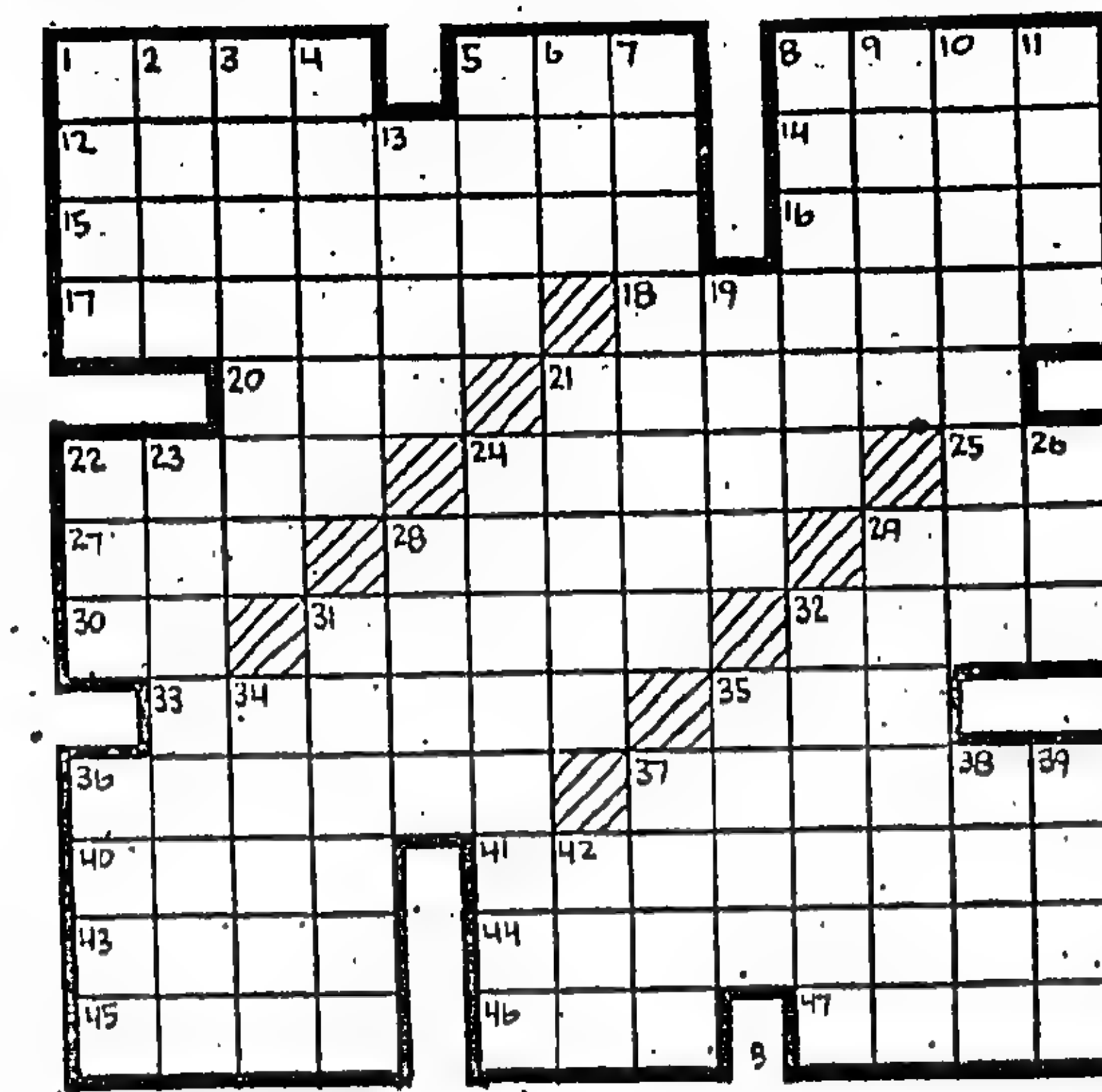
"He will be a big hotel manager

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Support for sails
2—Woman named
3—Harrow strip of
4—Tactic
5—Temporary chant
6—Harmful thing
7—Headline
8—Distance used for
9—Cleaning
10—Was leader of
11—Live bird
12—Color of blood
13—Legend
14—Violating rapidly
15—Online with fierce
16—Intensity
17—Up to
18—Neurotic spasm
19—Joke at steady pace
20—Article of apparel
21—Nominative of you
22—Proceed (verb)
23—In trigonometry,
opposite side over
hypotenuse
24—Weighing container
25—Last day of week
(abbr.)
26—Imagined thing
27—Mythic system
28—Poisonous snakes
29—Having equal angles
30—Let it stand as
originally printed

DOWN
1—Pile (nouns)
2—Set in cards
3—Kind of ship used
4—Famous tennis
player
5—British high
temperature
6—Derive of energy
7—Very thin paper
8—Medicine compound
9—Banana-like fruit
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one day. He will go to Germany and France and Italy later and learn the business there—and the languages. That will be necessary to him."

One of Mr. Fane's first customers was his grandfather, Lord Clinton, a Privy Counsellor and Keeper of the Privy Seal to the Prince of Wales from 1913 to 1933.

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"It will probably be seven years before I am qualified to become a manager."

Mr. Fane's mother is a daughter of Lord Clinton. Her sister Fenella married in 1914 the Hon. John Herbert Bowes-Lyon, second son of the fourteenth Earl of Strathmore, and brother of the Queen.



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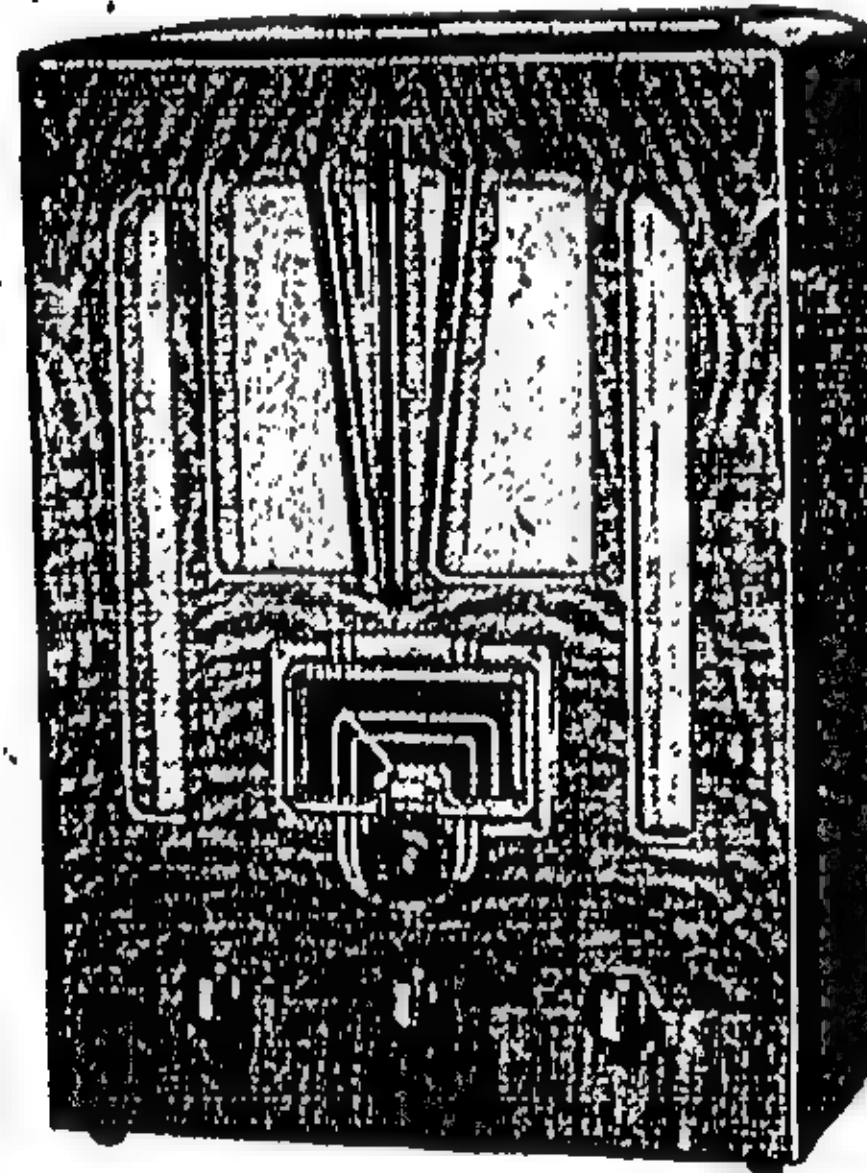
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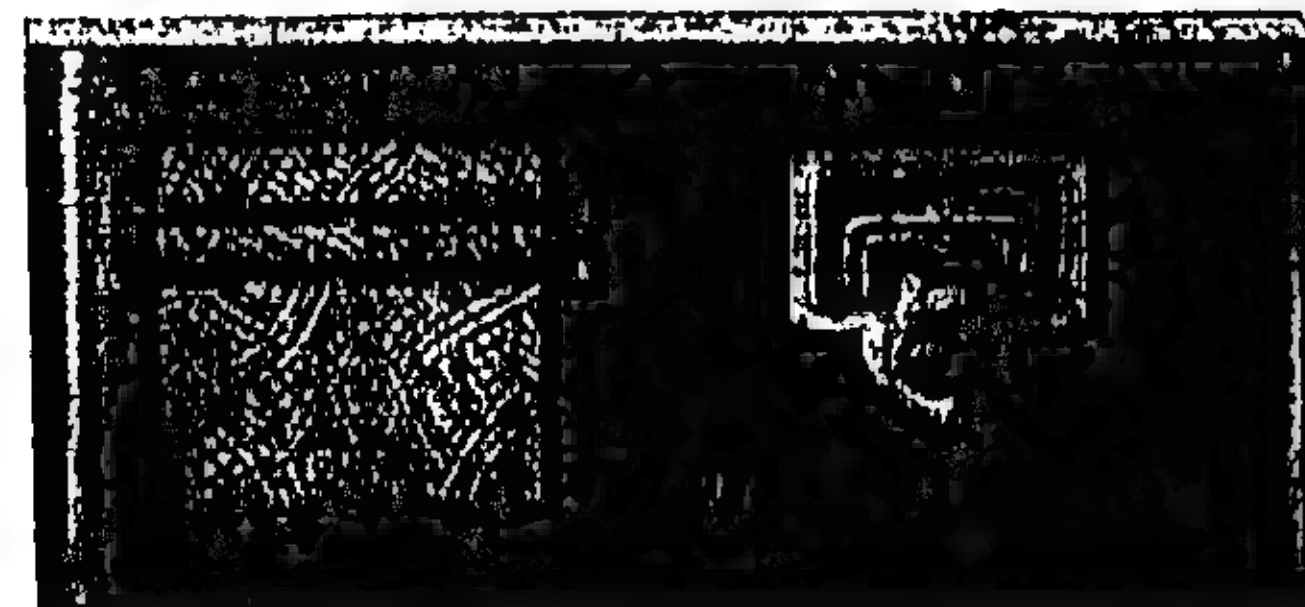


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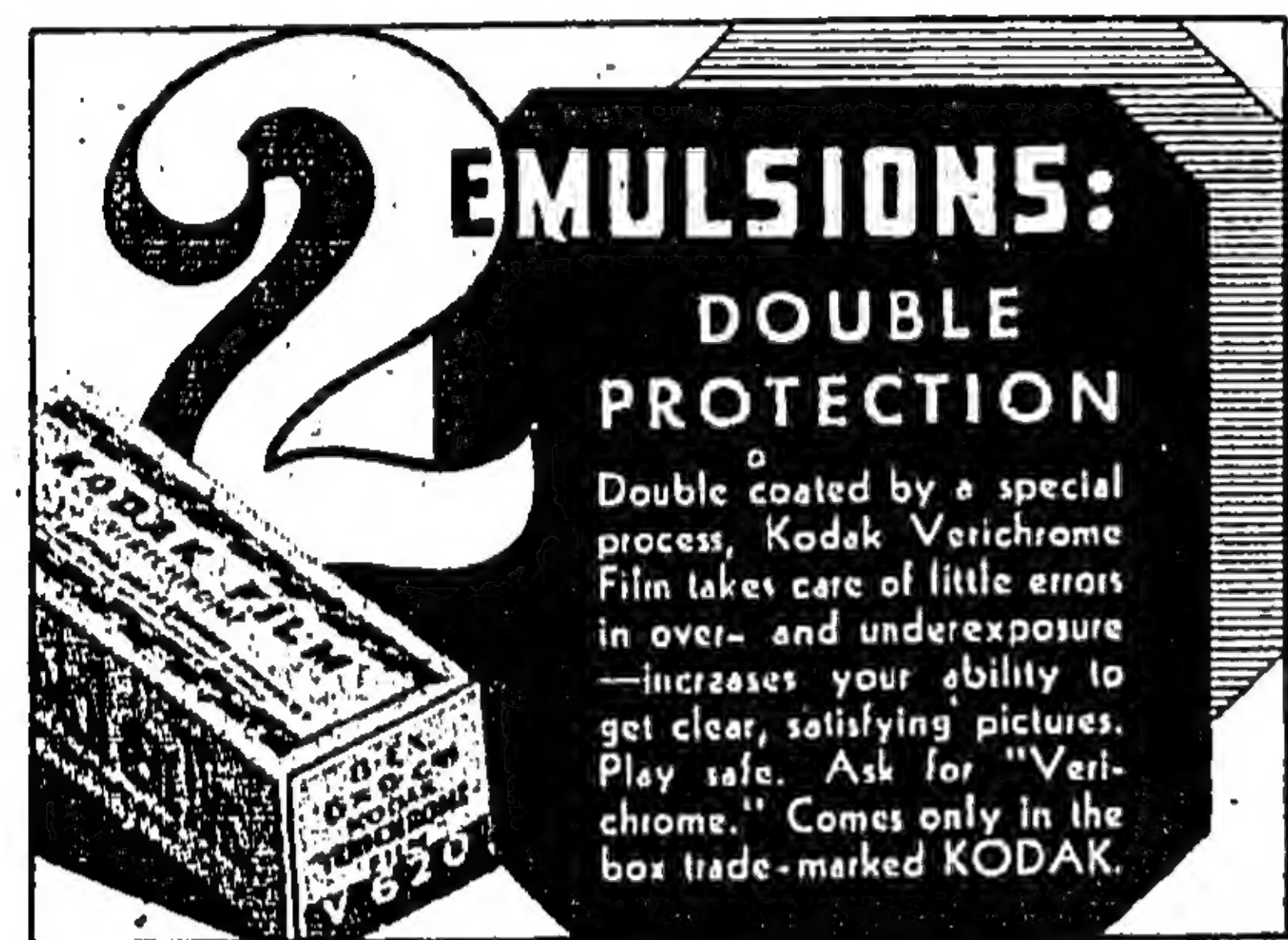
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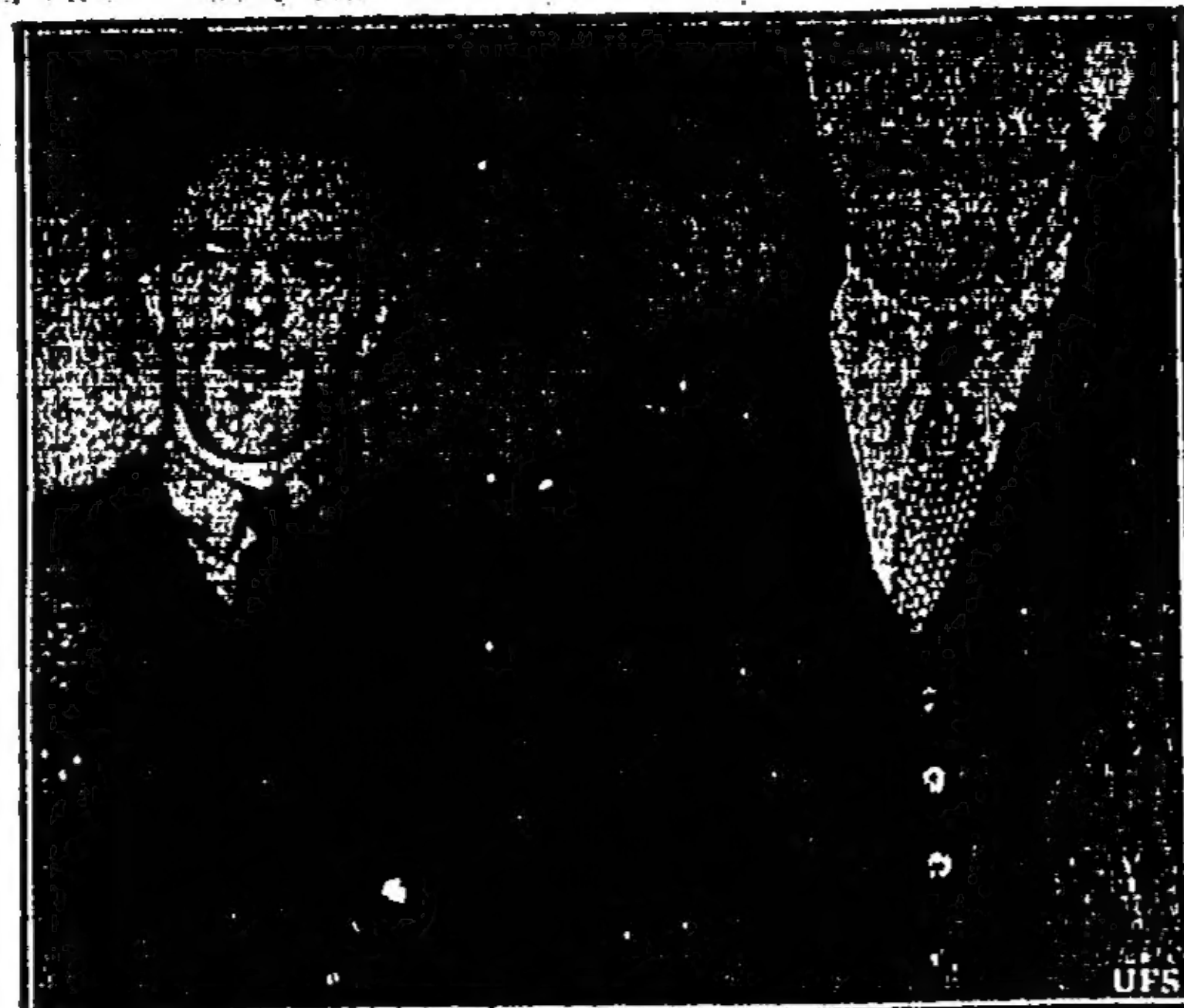
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Arrogant and sneering, at left is Robert Irwin, confessed slayer of Veronica Gedeon, until he arrived in court in New York to stand trial for the murder of Frank Byrnes.

GIRL PLEADS FOR EXILED FIANCÉ

A pretty brunette, secretary to a major living in the West End, pleaded with Mr. L. R. Runne, the Marylebone magistrate, not to send to prison a young Russian exile whom she was anxious to marry.

Her plea failed.

Mr. Runne said that the exile, Nicholas Sideroff, 23, member of a once wealthy Russian family, had "a spotted past," and sent him to prison for two months for contravening the Aliens Order by landing without permission.

Detective-Sergeant Bray said that as the result of his inquiries Paris had notified Scotland Yard that Sideroff had five previous convictions, including a sentence of 15 months in Paris on February 3, 1936, for stealing and infraction of a decree of expulsion.

His inquiries in London showed no redeeming feature in Sideroff's general character. Mr. Runne said he understood that the only criticism of Sideroff's character was that he was a gambler.

Sergeant Bray alleged that when Sideroff's mother was interviewed at her home in the South of France, she had replied: "I have no son named Nicholas."

Mr. Griffith Jones, defending, said that Sideroff had knowledge of only two convictions in France.

"In 1932, after completing his schooling in France," said Mr. Jones, "Sideroff found himself without money."

"He stowed himself away in a ship and got to America."

"He was sent back, and that was probably how one of the other convictions occurred. He also stowed away on a later occasion for the same reason."

In 1933, he went to Russia to try to find his father and in the folklore hope that there was something of the family possessions left there.

His League of Nations passport was retained by the authorities and

he escaped from the country after three vain attempts.

Arriving back in France after considerable hardship, he found himself at the age of 18 or 19, completely destitute.

In August, 1936, he met Miss Stella Edith Clive and fell in love with her. Her employer, Major Gilliam, of Seymour Street, W., was prepared to give Sideroff a job so that they could marry.

Mr. Griffith Jones said that Sideroff's mother was anxious to lend her son every assistance.

Miss Clive then came forward and said she was anxious to marry Sideroff as soon as this matter was over. They could not have the wedding until his identity was established.

Mr. Runne, passing sentence, said Sideroff could not be dealt with as a person with an unblemished reputation. He hoped that Major Gilliam would employ Sideroff on his release.

Must Not Play The "Lambeth Walk"

Billy Thorburn, who with his band was at a London theatre recently, has been stopped from playing the "Lambeth Walk."

"I feel rather sore about it because I first put it on the air and made it popular," Billy said.

"I have had a solicitor's letter warning me not to play it, although when I phoned the publishers they said I could carry on with it. The Performing Rights Society also said I could, but in view of the legal step the theatre authorities consider it ought to be dropped."

Lupino Lane, star and promoter of the "Me and My Girl" show, said: "There is nothing at all to prevent dance bands playing the 'Lambeth Walk' as long as they don't make a stage act of it."

"BETTER DIET, NOT BIRTH CONTROL, INDIA'S NEED"

Conditions in India do not demand any measure by way of limitation of population. India's production of food and of other articles supplied for human consumption is far ahead of the rate of growth of the population. The rate of increase in the population of India is not so much as to call for any limitation thereof.

Thus observed Dr. M. D. Gilder, Minister for Health, opposing the resolution in favour of birth-control in the Bombay Legislative Assembly. Citing statistics, Dr. Gilder pointed out that 4.2 children per family was India's average. He asked "Do you want to limit it further?" Dr. Gilder stated that India's real problem was nutrition and want of proper diet.

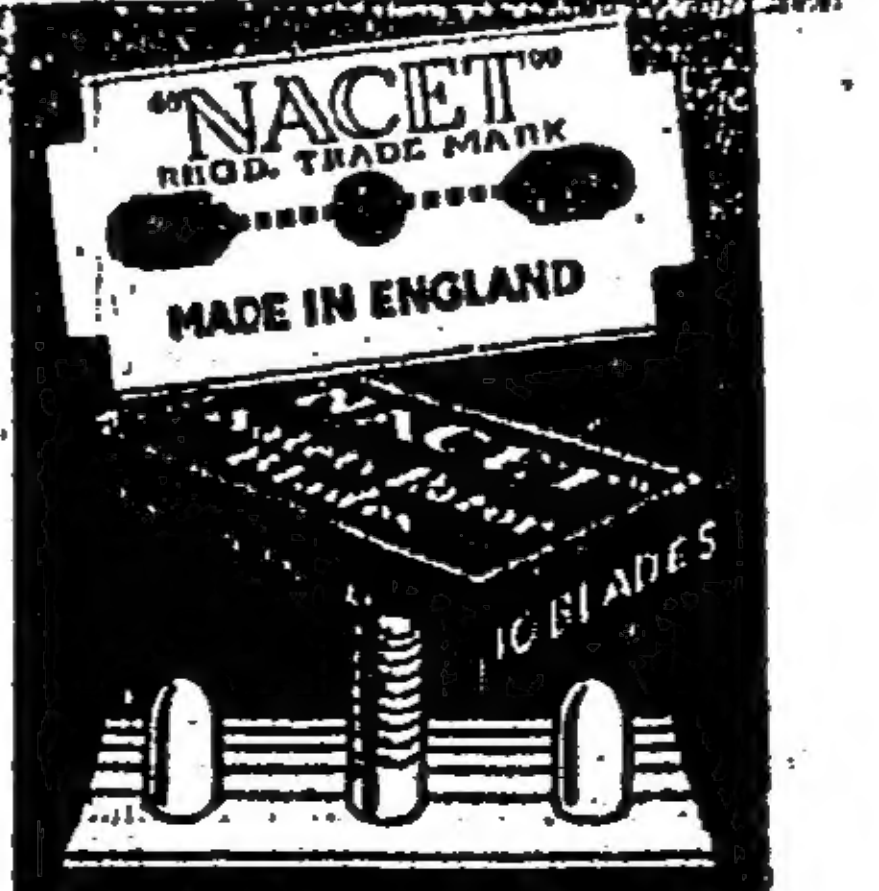
The resolution was defeated by 49 votes to 10. Moved by Mr. P. J. Rohan, the resolution which urged the Government to carry on propaganda in favour of birth control and to provide facilities for its practice, invoked an interesting debate.

Mr. Jamnadas Mchla supported the resolution on economic grounds and stated that continence was an ideal, which could not be reached by all human beings.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister, opposing the resolution, advocated self-control and feared that once birth control was accepted, there would be no control of sexual life and that would result in the deterioration of the nation.

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CHINESE PAPERS

Cristian Journal Suspends Issue

One of Hongkong's oldest Chinese dailies, the Tai Kwong Post, which was established in 1912, announced in its edition yesterday its intention to suspend publication for the time being. The Tai Kwong Post was published for many years at its office in Kau Yu Fong, and in 1934 was forced to stop business for a short time.

With the support of a number of Chinese Christians, the paper was reorganised and resumed publication under the name of Tai Kwong Post Newspaper & Printing Co. (1934) Ltd. It is well known also that this paper has had the support of Chinese Christians in Hongkong owing to its pro-Christian policy.

After its reorganisation in 1934, the paper established its new office at Nos. 1 to 5 Lee Yau Street and the paper was published in the same address. The publisher is Mr. Wong Shu-kong.

In its last issue yesterday, the Tai Kwong Post said that its suspension was principally due to the complete interruption of trade in South China since the outbreak of hostilities.

The Japanese invasion of Kwangtung has robbed the paper of its biggest field of circulation, namely Canton and other Kwangtung cities. The announcement adds that an endeavour will be made to resume publication in the near future, as soon as circumstances permit. While the Japanese occupation of Canton must have seriously affected many Hongkong Chinese newspapers, which have to depend on Canton for circulation, it is commonly known that competition among Chinese newspapers at the moment is keen. This latter factor is due to the recent opening in the Colony of a few of China's leading journals, which were forced to suspend their issues in Shanghai, Hankow or Canton.

Formerly nearly all Chinese dailies were sold at five cents per issue; competition to-day has reduced the price in the case of some new papers to one or two cents.

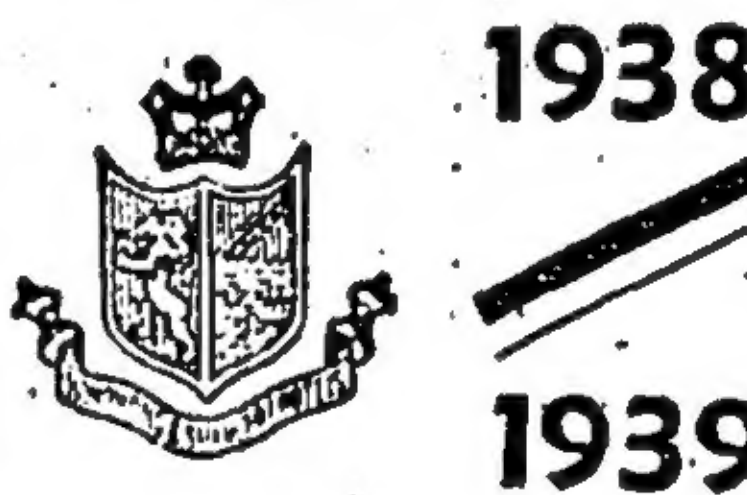
Counting all the dailies and the "Ta Kung Pao," Hongkong has now well over 30 papers, many appearing after the Sino-Japanese war began to meet the public demand for news.

AWARDS PRESENTED

School of Accountancy and Commerce

At the Peninsula Hotel yesterday, the fifth supper dance and presentation of awards of the School of Accountancy and Commerce was held. After the presentation of awards by Mr. P. B. de Silva, a light supper was served and dancing which started in the evening lasted to the early hours of the morning.

Mr. Lim Tiek-sin was awarded a gold medal from the International Institute of Accountants, Australia. Messrs. W. Benedetto, Fang Tau-chek and C. M. Sequeira were the winners of bronze medals from the Faculty of Secretaries. Besides those who received medals, 130 students were awarded diplomas.



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CARNIVAL DANCE

The Central British Association have arranged a Masquerade Carnival Dance for to-night at the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

Although no cabaret items have been arranged, the function promises to be a gay one, since there will be several novelty numbers, including a Spot Dance and a Waltz Competition. Mr. George Goncharoff, the prominent local dancing master, will be the chief judge of the latter item. For these two numbers prizes will be presented, as well as for the best lady's and best gentlemen's costume, and the most original lady's and gentlemen's costume.

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Do not, for instance, stand a saucer of liquid in the corner of a room, but distribute it by means of a spray, so that it reaches the germ-laden dust particles floating in the air.

It is most difficult to disinfect a brush because the liquid does not always penetrate into the bristles where they are set into the back. The surest way is to leave the brush in a large black tin with a close-fitting lid in company with a saucer containing a little formalin. The gas from the latter readily penetrates the bristle clumps.

Don't Forget Heat and Sunlight

Heat is a handy household disinfectant that often is not brought into contact with what is to be disinfected because it penetrates common household materials very slowly. It is almost useless to try to disinfect home fabrics by baking them in the oven; the only satisfactory way is to boil them. Half an hour's boiling will thoroughly sterilise fabrics.

Sunlight is a cheap disinfectant that is not used enough as such in the home. It is well worth while taking the trouble to hang sheets and handkerchiefs out to dry in the sunlight.

One or two disinfectants, particularly tincture of iodine, become stronger as the spirit in them evaporates, and unless this is remembered the disinfectant may be used weakly, or even cause damage; for example, old tincture of iodine may cause irritation of the skin. Always buy disinfectants in small quantities sufficient to meet immediate needs.

Finally, when disinfecting a bedroom after an infectious illness, remember that 99 per cent. of the infection is centred in the dust. Wash the floors with a carbolic soap, spray the walls, and leave doors and windows wide open all the time to blow away the dust that is raised.

Juliet Sanford

HOME HINTS

STALE scones can be freshened by dipping them in milk and placing them in a hot oven for about ten minutes on a greased tin. Don't soak them in the milk, just dip them in quickly, or they will become soggy.

To prevent mustard from going dry, make it up with a level teaspoon of salt to two tablespoons of dry mustard, and it will keep fresh for a considerable time.

Don't throw away used coffee grounds; pack them into the drain of your sink and pour boiling water over them. They will clear and disinfect the drain.

If you have egg yolks left over, cover them with cold water, and they will keep fresh for several days. To keep a fruit cake fresh and moist keep an apple or a slice of very fresh bread in the tin beside it. Bread is best as apple is inclined to flavour the cake.

Soft white breadcrumbs remove marks from books more easily than rubber will.

A long-handled typewriter brush is invaluable in the house for dusting ornaments, the tops of books, or anything with awkward corners.

To make flowers last longer, in these days when flowers are scarce, remove them every evening from rooms where fires are burning.

B. A. C.

SMART HEADLINES

PEACH velvet is the news in millinery this season—it looks very like a soft velvet.

Hair up! So hat designers add a comb to the tricorn which secures it firmly to the head.

No damp will bring out the curl of these feathers—they are made of clipped velvet in two shades of the popular fuchsia.

Gold metal flowers, insects and birds in coloured enamels and broad short quills are among the new-cut trimmings.

The ostrich, though he may put his head in the sand, proudly lends his plumes for hats this season in true Edwardian style.

Veils bunch at the side or at the back—they are mainly for show, not use, this winter.

Fashion puts on the BLACK HAT

By Mary Grace

NOTHING changes so quickly as millinery, both as regards style and colour. After the arly blues and rich vintage wine shades of the early autumn, fashion has sobered down and put on the black hat.

A popular fashion and smart, too, especially with the swept-up coiffures.

Hats soar upwards to reveal the hair both at sides and back. This must have a beautifully tidy air if your head is to have that well-groomed look in keeping with the new elegance in the winter season's hats.

An easy favourite is the black tricorn. It suits practically everyone. But be careful to place it on your head according to the shape of your face.

No extreme angle if your forehead is inclined to width; with small piquant features perch it well forward; the oval-shaped face needs to get the full benefit of the width.

The woman with a tiny head has been really looked after this year. The trimming of clipped velvet is almost of doll-like proportions. It is so easy if you have a small face to be completely overwhelmed by a hat, especially if it is of felt.

Capricious is the only word for these little hats, and you can afford to trim up your millinery with pretty little imitation ostrich feathers which are in the shops just now in great variety, priced at a shilling or so.

For the girl who wants a hat to wear day in, day out, my advice is—turn your back on such frivolities as veils and feathers; they need constant care and attention, and a shower of rain will ruin them in a minute.

Choose a hat like the third felt shape with its velvet ribbons and novelty silvered cork motifs on knitting needles. It is the originality of the trimming that will give your hat its fashion value.

For Your Dressing Table

IF you have an old-fashioned revolving piano stool in the lumber room, now is the time to fish it out and make it your own. It will prove to be a most suitable and useful dressing stool owing to its adjustable height. It will enable you to twist easily from side to side without moving from your seat or almost dislocating your neck in order to regard, from every point of view, the result of your labours on your face and hair, or the most captivating angle of your hat, and it takes up very little room.

Nimble fingers will make short work of a petticoat to hide its Victorian limb. A circle of chintz or damask on top, to match curtains or chair covers, with a full gathered fell just touching the floor when the stool is wound down to its lowest level will bring it into line with most modern bedroom furnishings, while in no way interfering with the simple mechanism.

If such a stool is not to be found in your attic, one can be bought quite cheaply, and it is really a good investment.

A. M. S.

Salt and pepper Crumbs

Mix the mashed potatoes (left-overs may be used), the turkey, onion and seasonings. Mix in enough milk to moisten and beat well. Mold into balls or patties, roll in dry crumbs and fry in butter. Serve hot.

JELLIED TURKEY LOAF

2 cups sliced turkey
2 packages salad aspic
3½ cups stock from turkey bones
½ cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon grated onion
2 cups sliced celery
3 hard-cooked eggs
1 tablespoon salt
2 tablespoons plumetol

Melt the aspic in 2 cups hot stock, add 1½ cups cold stock and the mayonnaise. Add the seasoning, meat and vegetables, place in the refrigerator to chill, stirring occasionally until it begins to thicken. Arrange the slices of egg in a wet loaf pan to garnish, turn in the turkey mixture and chill until firm. Unmold on a platter and garnish with ripe olives in celery cups and molds of left-over cranberry jelly or currant jelly.

DOUGHNUT PUDDING

3 eggs
2 tablespoons melted butter
½ cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 quart milk
3½ cups sliced dried out doughnuts

If you have doughnuts left over from your holiday feasts, convert them into this tempting variety of old-fashioned "bread" pudding. Melt the butter and combine with the beaten eggs, the sugar, a few grains salt, vanilla and milk. Put the sliced doughnuts in a buttered casserole and pour in the milk and egg mixture. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg and bake in a slow oven about 1 hour. Serve warm or cold with whipped cream. This makes 8 to 9 servings.



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THAARUP



Toy tricorn of peach velvet trimmed with a tulle veil which is tied in a huge bow high at the back.

Clipped velvet feather in two shades of velvet droops gracefully over a shovel-shaped, tip-tilted felt hat.

Silvered cork motifs on knitting needles are crossed on a flat round felt shape tied with long velvet ribbons.

Turkey Cutlets for Christmas

Cold Turkey With Cream Is Good Too

ROAST turkey has been in order for Christmas as long as can be remembered. But once the holiday is over, however, we can experiment with the remains of the feast. Do as the native cooks in far-off Hawaii do—serve your leftover turkey as a new dish combined with rice cooked in pineapple juice and marinated into cutlets.

Here are other tips on how to use the remains of the turkey:

TURKEY IN CREAM

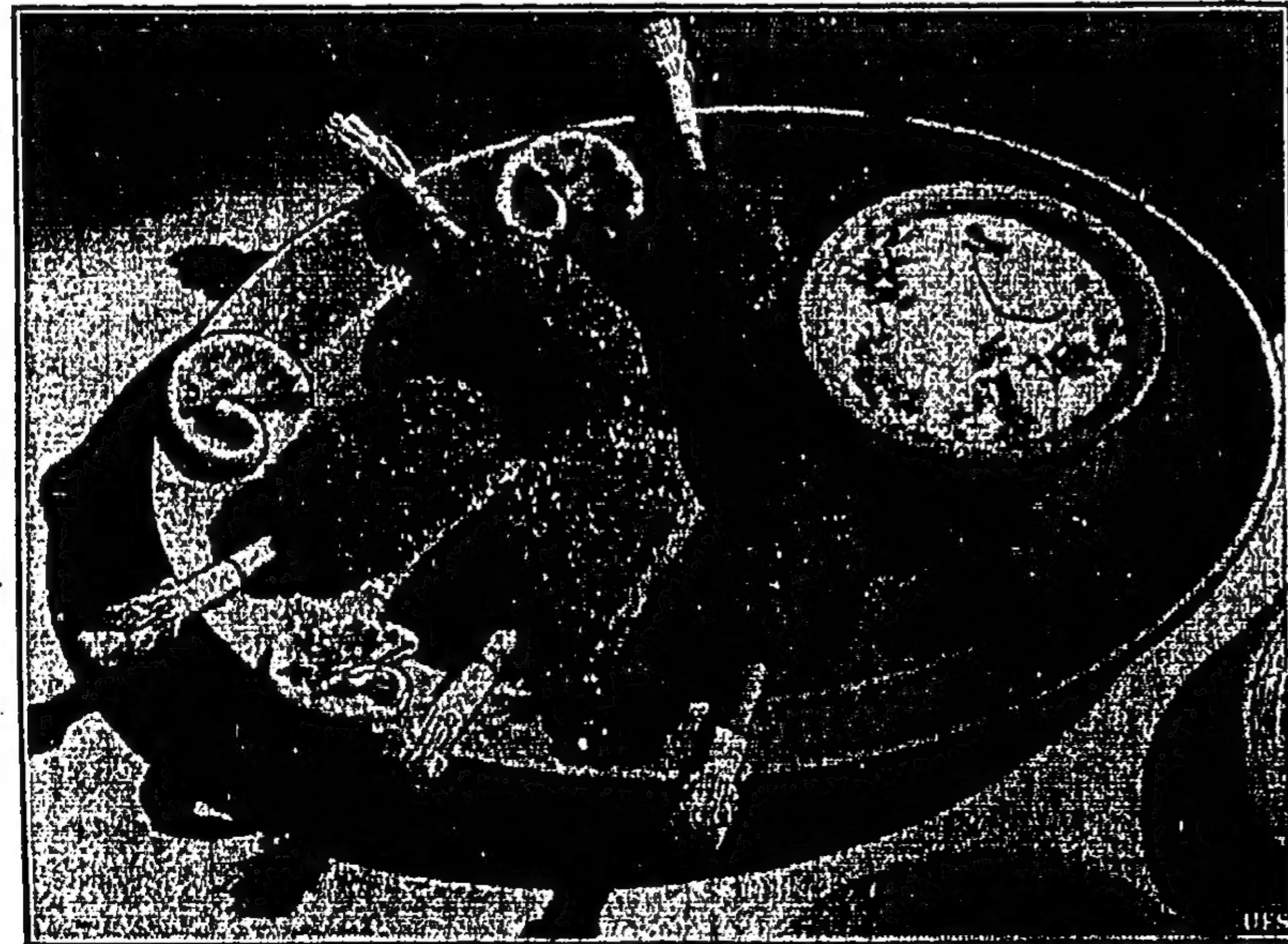
Sliced cold turkey
2 tablespoons butter
½ small onion, thinly sliced
1 cup rich cream
1 teaspoon grated horseradish
Salt, pepper and paprika to taste

Toast

Put turkey into the saucepan in which the onion and 1 teaspoon minced parsley are simmering in the butter. Simmer until the turkey is well heated, then add the cream and let bubble rapidly for several minutes. Add the seasonings and serve at once with portions of crisp buttered toast as a garnish.

TURKEY PATTIES

¾ cups mashed potatoes
2 cups chopped turkey meat
1 finely minced onion sautéed in 2 tablespoons butter
¼ cup milk



Your Christmas turkey will furnish another good dinner if you use this recipe for turkey cutlets: Wash 1 cup rice. Heat ¾ cups unsweetened pineapple juice, 4 tablespoons butter and 1 small grated onion to the boiling point, stir in rice and cook until rice is tender and liquid absorbed. Stir in ½ cup grated cheese, 2 cups chopped turkey, salt and pepper to taste. Form into cutlets, roll in crumbs, dip in egg then again in crumbs. Fry in deep fat until golden brown. Serve with cream sauce into which minced parsley, chopped green pepper or chives and a hard-cooked egg have been stirred.

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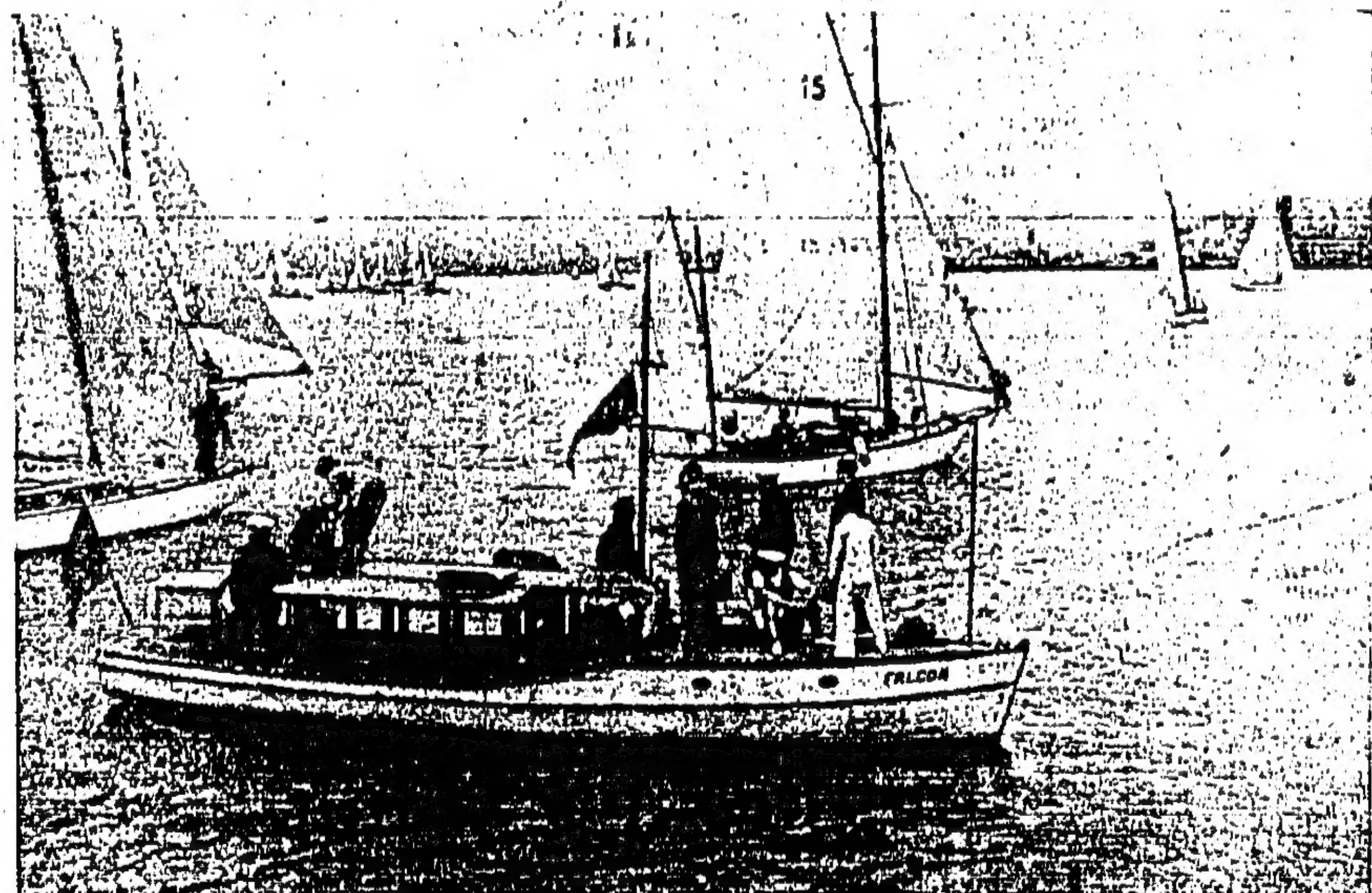
EVENTS OF THE WEEK



Buglers sounding the "Last Post" after the firing of volleys at the funeral of Able-Seaman Philip Kelly, of H.M.S. Duncan, at the Roman Catholic Cemetery last Sunday. Father Driscoll, Navy Chaplain, read the burial service.—P. N. Photo.



Helpers in the refugee camp at Yumati hand out congee for meals.—Yuen Chun Studios.



A scene of activity taken during the week-end races held by the Hongkong Yacht Club.—Staff Photographer.



Participants in the Fanling Hunt which took place last week-end meet after the event.—Staff Photographer.

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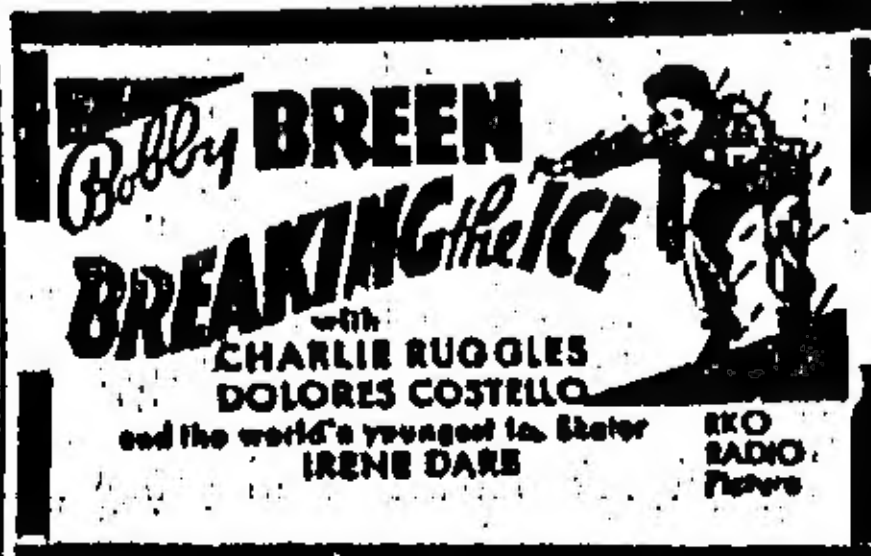
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Britain, America Are Warned By China

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15. GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK has warned Great Britain and the United States that unless something concrete is done towards assisting China, assistance will be sought elsewhere.

It is assumed that the Chinese leader means that China contemplates an appeal to Soviet Russia.

The Left-Wing element in the Chinese Government has gained considerable ground lately, and it is expected that unless the democracies adopt a different attitude, China will be forced to turn to Soviet Russia for aid.

Although this does not mean any trend towards Communism, Soviet Russia may hope for this end, and will endeavour to gain increasing influence in exchange for any aid she may offer.

It is learned that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's views were expressed to the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr Clarke-Kerr, during their recent meeting in Chungking.

It is also learned that Mr. Nelson Johnson, the American Ambassador, was likewise informed of the situation by Generalissimo Chiang.

United Press.

Americans In Smashing Affray

First Class Seaman Pratte Boyd 20, and Butler Raymond T. White 21, two sailors off the U. S. S. Asheville appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's court this morning in answer to a charge of malicious damage to two panel doors and two motor cars, the property of the Malayan Motors Garage in Gloucester Road shortly after 1 a.m. this morning.

Inspector A. V. Baker who prosecuted, said that the two defendants were under the influence of drink at the time and probably did not realise the seriousness of the offence. They had kicked in the doors of the garage and the damage to the cars was not serious, the damage being the only part of the car affected.

Complainant Mr. John Muttis, the proprietor of the garage had agreed to accept compensation for the damage sustained and an officer of the U. S. S. Asheville would agree to pay on behalf of the defendants.

The Magistrate ordered defendants to pay \$100 to the complainant for the damage done and a further fine of \$2 each was imposed on them.

Memel Elections: Final Results

London, Dec. 15. Official results of the Memel elections held recently give the Germans 25 seats, and the Lithuanians four.

The latter obtained under 13 per cent of the poll, but regard the results as satisfactory, taking into consideration German political pressure which was brought to bear on the elections, and the withdrawal of voting rights from 5,000 Lithuanians.

—Reuter.

Cabinet Minister Resigns In U.S.

Washington, Dec. 15. The United States Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel C. Roper, has resigned, according to an announcement made to-day.

—Trans-Ocean.

Radish Grows Red and White

Willoughby, O. A radish half white and half red was found by Mrs. Helen Pasnow in her garden. Mrs. Pasnow cannot explain the origin of the freak vegetable except that she planted one row of red radishes and another row of white.

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Mrs. Lawrence Kadoorie will present on scholarship certificates and prizes at Ell's Kadoorie School on Wednesday, December 21, at 10.30 a.m.

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The entire population of Mynydd Llandegai, a North Wales village, was recently given notice to quit by its landlord, Lord Penrhyn.

A legal notice was served on every one of the quiet, dark farm folk, and the whole village will be put under the auctioneer's hammer.

"It is intended to give the tenants the first opportunity to purchase their homes," a letter from a firm of Bangor auctioneers said.

"If, therefore, you wish to avail yourself of this offer, I shall be glad if you will call at my office on Monday, the 21st instant, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 7 p.m."

NEARLY 300 OF THEM

Copies of this letter fell on the scrubbed stone kitchen floors at the back of letter-box flaps in every house and farm of the village, which has between 200 and 300 inhabitants.

Many fear that land and houses occupied by the same families for generations may be delivered by a creek of the auctioneer's hammer into the hands of property development capitalists.

An emergency meeting was called by the village.

"MY SON'S A FLIRT"

MOTHER STOPS A WEDDING

BUT GIRL STILL TRUSTS HER SWEETHEART

"He has had so many flirtations in the past that I cannot believe he takes this affair seriously."

Mrs. Hilda Thurling said this at Stowmarket, Suffolk, about her 18-year-old carpenter son who was applying to the magistrates for permission to marry his 16-year-old sweetheart, fair-haired Ivy Keeble, of Hop Pole Cottages, Stowmarket.

Mrs. Thurling had travelled from her home in Norwich to oppose the application.

Holding that the mother was justified in withholding her consent, the magistrates dismissed the application.

Ivy said: "Frank earns more than £3 a week, which is quite enough to start a home with. We are very much in love, and I think it a shame that they will not let us marry and have a home of our own. I gave up my job a few weeks ago because I thought I would be getting married."

"It is not true that Frank is flirtatious, I know he will always be true to me, and we shall get married just as soon as he is old enough."

Ivy's mother, who is also in favour of the match, said: "I am looking forward to seeing them married and settled down together in a home of their own. They are very fond of each other, and I know Ivy would make a good wife although she is only 16."

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Subject to other legacies the residue was left upon trust for his eldest son, the Hon. Edward John Stanley, for life.

Before her marriage in 1917 Lady Stanley, who is 45, was the Hon. Sibyl Louise Beatrix Cadogan, eldest daughter of the late Viscount Chelsea, second son of the fifth Earl Cadogan.

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"ALI BABA GOES TO TOWN"

Japanese Plan For "New Order"

LONDON, Dec. 15. The Japanese plan for the creation of a "new order" in East Asia is engaging the attention of the British Government in an increasing degree.

Political circles here believe that the British Government will endeavour to obtain the co-operation of the United States, and eventually of France, in adopting a more determined attitude than hitherto towards Japanese schemes susceptible

of affecting the interests of these Powers in China.

It is believed that joint representations will be made in Tokyo by the British and United States governments with the object of obtaining parity concerning the Japanese plan as announced by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita.

Although London and Washington have not been officially informed of the Japanese aims, there is reason to assume that the British and United States governments intend to continue to adhere to the principle of the "Open Door," and to consider a modification of existing conditions in the Far East, which should be contrary to that principle, as an encroachment on their own rights.

—Trans-Ocean.

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